

Teen hurt in sledding accident

By JAYNE W. MILLER

WILMINGTON - An ambulance transported a local teen to Mass General Hospital after she hit her head on a pipe during a sledding accident Monday.

Monday's nor-easter called off school for most towns in the Merrimack Valley and like so many, 15-year old Wilmington teen Beth Doherty headed to the steep, fast hill behind the Woburn Street School with friends for some winter fun.

But that fun turned frightening as the teen slammed head first into a curved metal pipe at the bottom of the popular sledding site. The call went into Wilmington emergency services at 1:00 p.m., whereupon the department immediately dispatched an ambulance and engine.

Doherty was transported to Massachusetts General Hospital and was listed in fair condition Monday evening. Emergency services would not confirm Tuesday whether she lost consciousness, but determined that the severity of her injuries warranted transportation to Boston.

Her father, Brendan Doherty, told WCVB Monday evening that his daughter suffered no paralysis but "essentially did some damage to her spinal cord."

Doherty told the news station "from now on when she goes sledding she'll wear a helmet."

The large curved metal pipe is now covered with tires and yellow tape dissected the hill Monday after the accident, warning

other parents and children away from the hazard.

According to the National Safety Council, 34,000 people head to emergency rooms every year from incidents involving sleds and toboggans. The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons bumps that number up to 90,000 by adding in plastic discs and inflatable tubes.

Five to nine year olds are the age group most likely to end up in the ER for sledding stunts resulting in facial, head, and neck injuries. Parents are advised to have children wear helmets, sled feet first, and only sled in open areas with gentle slopes.

Wilmington dispatch said that this was only the second or third sledding related ambulance call received this year.



The curved metal pipe located on the hill behind the Woburn Street School was covered by tires and marked with 'caution' tape after a sledding accident occurred on Monday. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.printroom.com/pro/shootingstars)

Selectmen incumbents challenged

School Committee seat to be vacated

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - The local political season has begun. Several seats on a number of boards and committees are up for grabs, but only one race is taking shape.

Selectmen incumbents Michael McCoy and Raymond Lepore have announced their intentions to seek reelection, but a name new to Wilmington's political landscape has emerged. Robert Woltag, 38, of Towpath Drive has pulled nomination papers for a seat on the Board of

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Town's bond rating downgraded

Town officials wouldn't have done anything differently

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Despite being one of the few municipalities in the area with a sizable reserve fund, Wilmington took a hit from Standard & Poor's in December.

The town's bond rating has been downgraded from 'AA' to 'AA-.'

Through the last several years of fiscally trying times, Wilmington has maintained all of its services, increased budgets across the board, and increased staffing; while many

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Chlorine vs. Chloramine

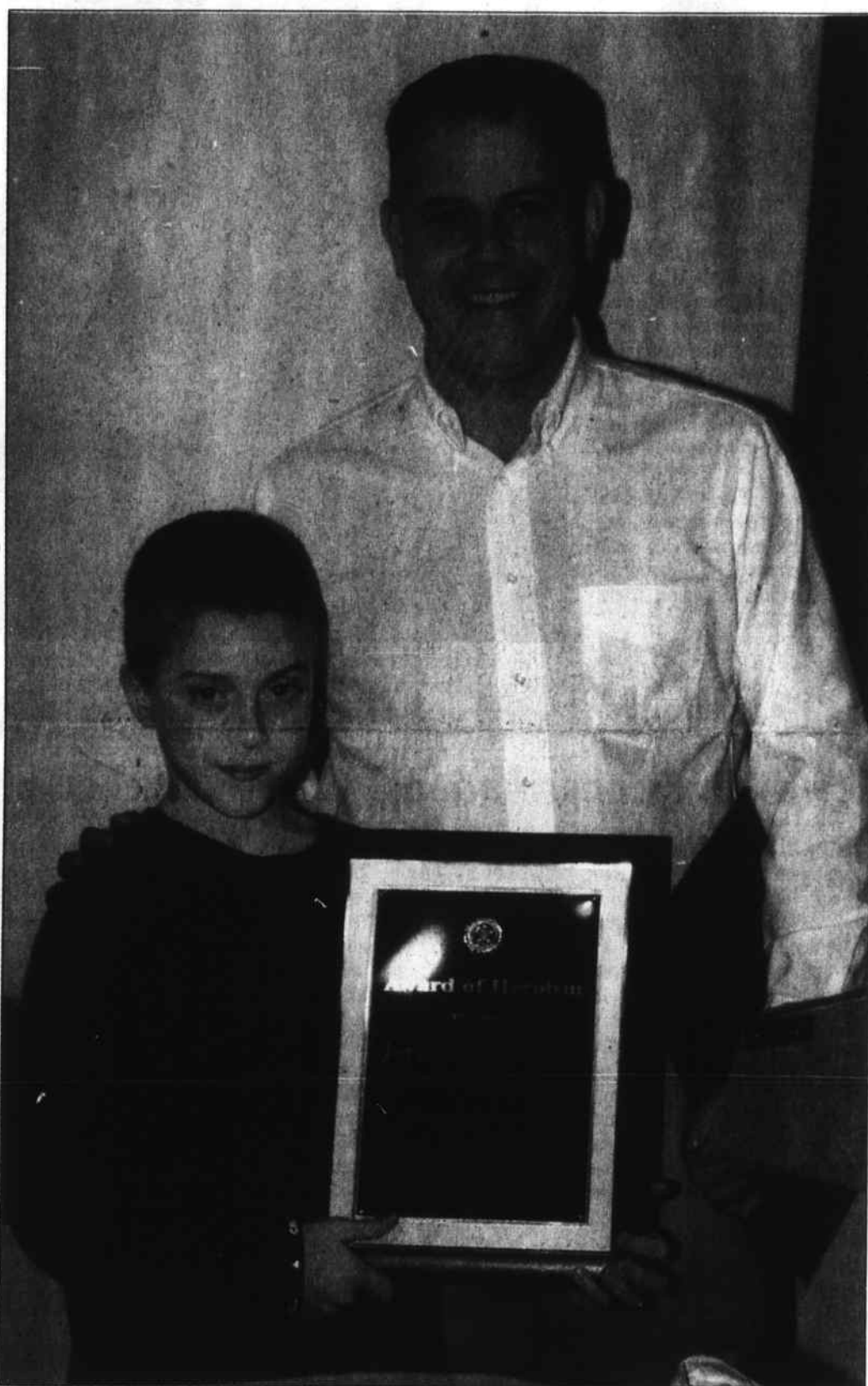
Town changes treatment process

By JULIE FENNELL

WILMINGTON - In recent weeks, a nearly invisible change has taken place in faucets around town. On December 12th the town's water treatment facilities began treating the public water supply with chloramines, instead of chlorine. Chloramine is a chemical compound consisting of chlorine and ammonia. Increasingly, chloramine is being used in low concentrations as an alternative to chlorination for disinfecting municipal water.

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Lawrenson honored for heroism



Jerry Lawrenson was presented with the American Legion District 5 Medal of Heroism on Sunday for saving the life of Michael Murphy (pictured with Lawrenson). The amazing story, which originally appeared in the June 13, 2007 edition of the Town Crier, is re-printed in its entirety on page 14W of this edition.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.printroom.com/pro/shootingstars)

Town welcomes new Fire Chief

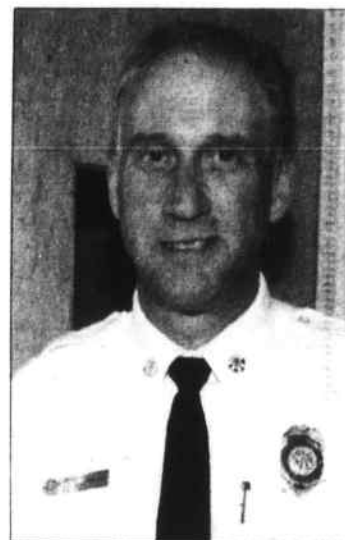
Bradbury succeeds Chief Stewart

By JAYNE W. MILLER

WILMINGTON - Deputy Chief Edward G. Bradbury will officially become Fire Chief February 11, Town Manager Michael Cairra announced at Monday's Board of Selectmen meeting. Bradbury has been serving as acting chief for five weeks and will succeed 31-year veteran of the Wilmington Fire Department, Chief Daniel Stewart, upon his retirement.

"We had a real close relationship for eleven years and I hope that I can continue in the direction that he took the department," Bradbury told the Crier Tuesday.

Bradbury began his service in the fire department 36 years ago as a call fire fighter in 1972. Appointed a permanent



Wilmington's new Fire Chief, Edward Bradbury, Jr. member of the Department in 1977, Bradbury was promoted

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Should Planning Board members be elected?

McCoy proposes non-binding referendum

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Selectman Michael McCoy believes that members of the Planning Board should be elected, and he wants to put the question to the voters in a non-binding referendum question in this year's Town Election.

Wilmington's Town Charter calls for the appointment of Planning Board members by the Town Manager. McCoy's proposed non-binding referendum question would ask voters whether they believe it is time

to make a change to the Town Charter.

"The Planning Board is one of - if not the - most powerful boards in town," McCoy said. "They deal with town infrastructure and quality of life issues on a daily basis. I believe that such a board should be elected, and I think the time is now."

McCoy publicly criticized the Planning Board's handling of the Registry of Motor Vehicle's recent move to town. He did

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The Wilmington Pop Warner "D" Team Cheerleaders and coaches were recognized by the Board of Selectmen on Monday evening for winning the National Championship. With 25 girls, aged 8 through 10, the team won top honors as the 2007 Jr. Pee Wee Large Intermediate National Champions. Led by Coach Nancy Sullivan, the squad competed against other nationally top ranked squads at the Disney Wide World of Sports in Orlando, FL in December. The event was broadcast live on the internet and was televised on ESPN.

Photo by Dwight Frye

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Wilmingtonites gathered and tried not to be blown away last year at the annual "Wilmington / Florida reunion. The weather was better in Florida than Wilmington. These un-identified "southerners" chatted about the old times in Wilmington. They'll gather again this year on March 15th.

Courtesy photo

Aid to Senator Tarr joins Jeopardy! Hall of Fame



CULVER CITY, CA - Daniel Pawson, a 26-year-old legislative aide to State Senator Bruce Tarr - Wilmington's voice in the Massachusetts State Senate - has earned a prominent place in "Jeopardy!" history with his nine-day, \$170,902 in cash winnings. Pawson is now the fourth biggest money winner on the quiz show; right behind all-time "Jeopardy!" champ Ken Jennings (\$2,520,700), David Madden (\$430,400) and Tom Walsh (\$184,900) [excluding tournament wins].

"I've been watching 'Jeopardy!' since I was six or seven-years-old," said Pawson. "And to be a part of my favorite show's history is very humbling."

When asked what he'll do with his winnings, he replied, "I'm going to set up a down-payment fund for a house, pay off some college debt and give a bunch to charity. And whatever amount is left over, my wife and I are going to blow it in Vegas!"

Pawson, a PPE (philosophy, politics and economics) undergraduate from Claremont McKenna College and a graduate from the University of Chicago Law School is a self-proclaimed politics junkie who enjoys playing baseball and poker during his leisure time.

The Staten Island native, who currently resides in Boston with his wife Andrea, is also expecting the arrival of their first child sometime this week. "Our baby was supposed to be born around my last appearance on the show with a due date of January 11th," said Pawson. "Just in case, we've been scoping out the delivery and recovery rooms for TVs!"

It turns out that his daughter, Rebecca Elisa Saenz was born Tuesday (1/15/08) evening at 7:50; 8 lbs, 2 ounces, 19 1/2 inches long.

Jeopardy!, a winner of 27 Emmy awards since its debut in 1984, was recently inducted into the Guinness Book of World Records for the most awards won by a TV Game Show. The series is the #1-rated quiz show



in syndication, and has held that title for over 1,000 weeks.

Jeopardy! is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment Company. It is distributed domestically and internationally by CBS Television Distribution, a unit of CBS Corp.

It's Your Money

by Joyce Brisbois



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Wilmington's 16th annual Florida reunion

The holidays are over, but winter is far from it. Time is fast approaching for Wilmington

Day in Florida. Make your plans now to come to Fred Howard Park just off Alt. 19 in Tarpon Springs on the Gulf (West) Coast of Florida near Tampa.

If you have any connection to Wilmington, or have had in the past, you're invited to come join in the fun and laughter on the 15th of March - the third Saturday. Bring your lunch, your reminiscences, - and maybe a folding lawn chair.

The Park has picnic tables, children's playgrounds, a lovely beach, a canoe/kayak launch, walking trails, grills, restrooms and lots of Wilmington folks who seem to enjoy all talking at once. Shelter #3 is reserved just for Wilmington from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Any questions, call Ted Wicks at 727-530-3082.



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Harkirat Singh, owner of Jimbo's Roast Beef in Tewksbury treated a regular customer, Brian King, and his entire Tewksbury basketball team to a meal on Tuesday night after practice. Brian, a player for the Senior Bulls, and teammate Aaron Tanguay ordered roast beef sandwiches and burgers.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Tewksbury Congregational Church chicken pot pie supper

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury Congregational Church, United Church of Christ (TCC), a member of the largest Protestant denomination in Massachusetts and one of the most historic churches in Tewksbury, announces today that tickets for the Annual Deacon's Chicken Potpie Supper are now on sale.

Said one of TCC's deacons, Donna Haines, "As always, flaky homemade biscuits atop chicken and gravy will be served, along with coleslaw and mashed potatoes." A beverage and homemade dessert are also included. "Everything is homemade," she said. "It is rumored that the biscuits were a recipe of Ruthie Mores, a much beloved member of TCC who left a legacy of wonderful recipes with church members and friends."

Many volunteers, including TCC members, the Deaconate, and the youth fellowship

groups, will be serving the expected 200 guests. "I always look forward to the event," said Donna. "It's great to share both good food and good conversation with other members of the Tewksbury community."

The Deacon's Chicken Potpie Supper - scheduled for Saturday, February 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at the Tewksbury Congregational Church in Fellowship Hall, 10 East Street, Tewksbury - is open to the public. Tickets are \$8 for an individual, \$6 for seniors, and \$30 for a family of four or more. Tickets are available in the church office at 10 East Street, Tewksbury, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The event is usually sold out, so early purchase is advised. For additional details, contact: tewksburycc@verizon.net or call (978) 851-9411.

About the Tewksbury Congregational Church

Tewksbury Congregational Church, a Protestant church located across from the Town Common, was established in 1734. In 1962, the members voted to join with the umbrella organization of the United Church of Christ (the largest Protestant denomination in New England) but to maintain the historic name. Centered on the belief that God's word is central to proclaiming the Gospel, we worship in prayer, music, word and sacrament. Children join adults for the first fifteen minutes of worship and

then go to their Church School classes. We celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month.

Tewksbury Congregational Church welcomes all people desiring to lead their lives according to the teachings of Jesus Christ, regardless of race, color, national origin, previous religious background, economic status, gender, age, sexual orientation, or physical challenges. For more information, visit www.tewksburycc.org.

SpEdWatch meeting to explore special education issues

SpEdWatch, Inc., will host a Community Meeting on Monday January 28, 2008 at the Tewksbury Public Library, 300 Chandler Street, Tewksbury, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. SpEdWatch is a statewide non-profit watchdog group that is working to secure the educational rights of all Massachusetts school children with disabilities (ages 3-21.) Executive Director Ellen Chambers will speak about the high rate of noncompliance with special education laws in the Commonwealth's public schools, the conditions that allow noncompliance to continue unchecked,

and the disastrous consequences this has had for students. She will explain SpEdWatch's mission and their unique plan to address this silent crisis in their educational system. Ms. Chambers will also facilitate a discussion with parents who may have specific concerns about special education in their local communities, and will provide tips on how parents can effectively pursue change in their own school districts.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Register by calling SpEdWatch at (978) 433-5983 or by emailing info@spedwatch.org

Tarr supports energy reform bill

BOSTON - Senate Assistant Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester), a steadfast proponent of alternative energy and energy conservation initiatives, was successful today in amending a senate energy reform bill and working toward its final passage. "Moving toward energy independence should be a major priority for the Senate and for our Commonwealth," said Tarr, who joined with Senators Michael Morrissey (D-Quincy) and Steven Panagiotakos (D-Lowell) in leading the debate that culminated in the unanimous passage of the reform bill, titled "An Act to Generate Renewable Energy and Efficiency Now" and numbered Senate 2457.

Tarr sponsored and co-sponsored several successful amendments to the bill, including those which would:

Require half of the state fleet of motor vehicles to be powered by alternative fuels by 2018, with a minimum increase in the percentage of alternative fuel vehicles of 5% per year (amendment #17).

Require the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority to develop a plan to provide alternative fueling stations on the turnpike by January 1, 2014 (amendment #25).

Cause the Operational Services Division to develop a master plan for the purchase of alternative fuel vehicles by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions (amendment #17).

Create a state government master plan for the advancement of alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles and related technology over a ten year period, beginning in 2010 (amendment #26).

Tewksbury Democratic Committee Caucus

Registered Democrats in Tewksbury will be holding a caucus at the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Route 38, on Saturday, February 2, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. to elect 15 delegates and 2 alternates to the 2008 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. Delegates will be divided equally between men and women. Please come early. You must be in attendance at 10:00 a.m. to participate.

The Convention will be held on Friday, June 7th at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell. At that time, Democrats from across the state will gather to endorse candidates for the office of US Senator. The names of those candidates who receive 15 percent of the state convention vote will be placed on the September 16th Democratic Primary ballot.

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Tewksbury Candidates for dele-

gate and alternate must consent to nomination in writing and must be present at the caucus. All ballots will be written and secret. Those not elected as Delegate and/or Alternate, who meet the qualifications, may apply to be add-on delegates in the following categories: youth, minority, and disabled.

Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, sexual orientation or economic status in the conduct of the caucus is strictly prohibited. Challenges to the delegate selection process can be filed with the Massachusetts Democratic Party, 56 Roland Street, Suite 203, Boston, MA 02129 no later than ten days after the caucus date.

For further information or assistance contact Tewksbury Democratic Town Committee Chairman, Warren R. Carey at 978-851-9165.

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Betsy's Best Bets

by Betsy Woods McGuire

Flower Power

Winter under cultivation is as arable as spring. (Emily Dickinson)



Letters to the editor

To the residents and business community of Wilmington

The Wilmington Police Patrol Officers Union, which represents police officers in collective bargaining and labor related issues, will soon commence its 2008 Annual Fundraising Drive. This telephone solicitation is conducted by a private company contracted by the police union to act on its behalf.

Donations collected allow the police union to fund its own operating expenses and further its many community related endeavors throughout the year. These events and activities are made possible only through your generous and continued donations for which we are forever grateful.

The Wilmington Police Patrol Officers Union, a local affiliate of the New England Police Benevolent Association, is a union of police officers convened for the mutual benefit of its members. Our goals are to obtain and promote a healthy and harmonious workplace

environment, to fairly represent each member in their employment as a Wilmington Police Officer, and to promote the organization's standing in the community through civic and charitable activities.

Please visit our website www.wilmingtonpoliceunion.com and click on the "Service" link for further information about our organization and its activities.

Questions and comments may also be directed to a member of the union's Executive Board at the Wilmington Police Department (978) 658-5071

Thank you.
Ronald Alpers, President
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Wilmington Police Patrol Officers Union
NEPBA Local #1

Grateful teachers

Dear Editor:

The Wilmington High School staff would like to take the opportunity to thank Vinny Oliva and Bobby Briggs from the Tewksbury VFW for donating the function hall this week. It gave us a chance to celebrate the holidays along with the half way point of the school year!

Thanks again,
The WHS Staff

Santa gives the gift of light

Dear Santa,
Thanks so much for the generous gift from RMLD.
God Bless you.

Mary D.
Wilmington

Good Neighbor Fund is there

Letter to the Editor:

With heating oil prices soaring over \$3.00 a gallon for the first time and natural gas prices at close to all time highs, the arrival of winter has Massachusetts families facing another cold reality not being able to pay the monthly energy bill.

The Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund, administered by The Salvation Army, is often the last resort for families who are in need of energy assistance and who have not qualified for federal and state assistance programs.

Unfortunately, due to the uncertain economy, the relatively high cost of energy and the falling temperatures, our local service center is seeing a dramatic rise in the number of requests for energy assistance over the last week. In fact, we expect the urgency of need to continue to escalate through the winter and into the spring. With this in mind, those in need of energy assistance should visit their local Salvation Army Service Center or call (800) 262-1320 if they live in area code 413 or (800)

334-3047 if they live in area codes 508, 617, 781 or 978.

To help us satisfy the more than 5,000 requests for aid anticipated this winter alone, I appeal to everyone in the Wilmington area to join their fellow residents in the Commonwealth and the sponsoring energy companies to "Give the Gift of Warmth." Energy customers can donate by using the mint-colored Good Neighbor Energy Fund donation envelopes found as an insert in their monthly energy bills or through the "add a dollar" program some energy companies offer. People can also donate on-line by visiting www.magoodneighbor.org or by simply making a check payable to "The Good Neighbor Energy Fund" and sending it to The Salvation Army, 147 Berkeley Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02116.

On behalf of all those families in need, thank you.

Sincerely,
Major William H. Bode
Massachusetts
Divisional
Commander

DiPerri made the difference

Dear Editor,

Not all cops are created equal!

I would like to express my sincere gratitude toward Wilmington's Officer Richard DiPerri, who, in my opinion, has a true compassion for his work.

I was taken to the hospital Christmas Eve. Terrified as I heard the sirens, I was even more fearful that my children would be terrified.

Or so I thought.

Not only did Officer DiPerri comfort my children, who oth-

erwise would have been clinging to me while I was unable to help, he also assured me that my children would have adequate care while I was being transported to the hospital, which was the case.

Thank you so much! You truly are a role model to other officers, and some sergeants should take a lesson from you!

The Veloza and Bemis family
Wilmington

So here we are in January, the big letdown month, a time to just put one foot in front of the other and be glad that there is no pressure to "enjoy oneself" if you know what I mean. It's cold, it can be tough to get around on foot, no yard work, a good excuse to go nowhere, do nothing or as little as possible, stick around home and reclaim your life.

Once the leaves are off the trees and the later into winter it gets, the more sun comes in on the south side of my house. I have to say, looking through that side of the house, from the kitchen, dining room, living room and then across to the front sunroom, with big French doors between the rooms, there is no prettier time of the year to stay put inside. However, bright sunlight also has a way of showcasing the drab, the dull and the dust too. I had a friend who dusted her entire house everyday! Yes, she was crazy, I'd say, but I really can understand her obsession. Many times I've found myself day-dreaming about installing a central dust filter just so I can enjoy the winter sun without the floating particles and patina. She also cleaned her bathroom twice a day with a toothbrush but that's another story. I know, I know ... there are some of you thinking, "What's wrong with that?" My point, even if you're a meticulous housekeeper, without house plants or cut flowers, winter can seem lifeless inside. And somehow flowers from the florist, in a way, are artificial-looking compared to cutting flowers from your own garden, poking them into a vase without too much fuss, avoiding the "arrangement" look.

To quote the popular health guru Andrew Weil, "Flowers manifest the beauty and wonder of nature and delight the senses and raise our spirits." He suggests bringing flowers home, giving them to friends, having them in your house all the time. He goes so far as to imply that flowers have a positive effect on our overall well being.

Don't get me wrong, if a florist shows up at my door, I accept his gift enthusiastically. But that doesn't happen very often. And when Andrew Weil speaks, I listen, which means there are flowers on my table or the windowsill or in the sunroom all winter long.

A while back a friend gave me a large flower arrangement to celebrate a special day. Two weeks later when everything had faded or died, right in the middle, among all the cut flowers, was a circle of bright, delicate looking pink petals that were as alive and pretty as the first day. Curious, I pulled the design apart and discovered a small pot, wedged in, packed tightly with soil, with a real plant growing in it. This was my introduction to Cyclamen.

House plants are not for me - I have only two, both are philodendron. They add some soul and a bit of bewitchery, I suppose, to a room but they lack the liveliness and fickleness of outdoor plants and flowers. And the flowering kind of house plants are fitful and short-lived in my experience.

The Cyclamen is different. To begin with, it's seasonal but backwards. Quite by accident I found this out with that first plant - the one I rescued from the big arrangement. That winter I watched it bloom con-

tinually, on the floor, lost in a cold corner of the front room, with little care or attention. Actually I'd forgotten about it for some time, expecting to find it weak and stressed and spent - the typical ending for an out-of-synch greenhouse plant. To my surprise, that was not the case, which stirred my interest - so I did some research. Here's why I prefer the paradoxical perennial: the Cyclamen wants to be cold (how convenient and economical), unlike any other house plant that I know of. Its show of soft tropical colors are a pleasure to the eye - colors range from white to shades of pale pink to almost lilac and red. Light weekly watering, nothing more is required to have a "pot bouquet" of flowers in your house, per the advice of Andrew Weil, to be admired and to be inspired, a visual gift to behold.

Now here's the best part - in late winter, maybe by the end of March, the Cyclamen will start to fail, go-by, appear to be going downhill. Following a seasonal cycle, but reversed, summer is its resting time. In the spring all I do is dig a short, shallow trench behind the shed, in the shade, tip them out of their pots, push and pack the dirt down and go away. Cyclamen don't like the heat so they more or less shut down. I water off and on if rain is sparse. In late summer, all of a sudden, new growth will start - by fall I re-pot, bring them inside and before long, flowers!

For me, to have low-care "natural" flowers inside during the cold months, you can't beat the Cyclamen - a substitute of sorts, to picked flowers. Bunch them together in a decorative

container, consider this a vase-set them out.

Although Cyclamen is the best for long lasting blooming, there are other plants that are attractive and fun and educational too, for winter. The Amaryllis is not just for elementary school projects. They come in a wide variety of colors and styles, are easy to "force" indoors in four weeks. Paper Whites are the most popular but fancy Amaryllis come in artistic baskets and pots for a more creative or aesthetic look.

For herbs and vegetables and some flowers, Hydroponics is a specialty you could consider. More involved, it's not for everyone but it is a way to keep connected to nature until springtime.

Lastly, in late autumn I cut Hydrangea blossoms. Cutting them late enough, when there's a deep pink blush and some dry dark color, is the secret to having them dry perfectly. Having a huge bundle of traditional New England Hydrangeas sitting on my hutch is an important part of enhancing the mood of home during winter. Dried flowers are not alive but they are real - they also represent the connection from fall to spring, reminding us of the cycle of life.

Back to Cyclamen: The Cyclamen Society, founded in England, was started to encourage cultivation and study of this simple but unusually beautiful plant. And from what I can see, they're doing a good job. Cyclamen is easy to find at greenhouses, garden centers and even at some super markets. Add a friend, the Cyclamen, how Zen.

Wilmington resident installed as Masonic District Officer

BOSTON - Ted N. Morang Sr. of Wilmington was installed as District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, and will preside over eleven lodges in the Thirteenth Masonic District for the next two years. The 235 lodges and 40,000 Freemasons in the Commonwealth are divided into 31 Districts, and led by a District Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts was chartered in 1733, following the establishment of the Grand Lodge of England in 1717, and Ireland in 1725, making it the third oldest in the world, and the oldest in the Western Hemisphere. In 2008 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts will be marking its 275th Anniversary. The culmination will take place during the weekend of May 2-5, 2008, when public dignitaries and Masons from across the country and around the world will visit Boston for its celebration.

As a District Deputy Grand Master, Morang serves as the Grand Master's personal representative to the lodges in his District. Roger W. Pageau of Northborough, MA was installed as the 86th Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts and will be the head of the Fraternity for the next three years. The



Ted N. Morang

Thirteenth Masonic District is comprised of the following lodges: Thomas Talbot Lodge, Billerica; Cochichewick Lodge, North Andover; North Reading Lodge, North Reading; Good Samaritan Lodge, Reading; Golden Rule Lodge, Lynnfield-Zetland Lodge, and Star of Bethlehem Lodge, Wakefield; Friendship Lodge, Wilmington; Mount Hermon Lodge, Mount Horeb Lodge and William Parkman Lodge, Woburn.

Raised in Wakefield and educated in the Wakefield school

system, Morang graduated from the Northern Essex Community College and is an owner/partner of A&A Industrial/Albaco in Tewksbury.

Morang is a member of Wilmington United Methodist Church. In 1999 he began his Masonic career by joining Friendship Lodge. He served as the Worshipful Master, or presiding officer, in 2003-04. Masons use the original definition of "worshipful, meaning 'honorable'; English mayors and judges are still addressed as "Worshipful." As District Deputy Grand Master, Morang will be called "Right Worshipful." Morang is also a member of North Reading Lodge in North Reading.

Morang is also a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry - Valley of Lowell and Aleppo Shrine in Wilmington.

Morang and his wife, Cindy, have two sons, Ted (21) and Tom (18).

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Paul Thomas (a.k.a. Mr. Magnet) visited the 5th graders at the West Intermediate on January 10th. Mr. Thomas, a technical supervisor with Massachusetts Institute of Technology, brought MIT's Plasma Science and Fusion Center's Mr. Magnet program to the school. During this program, students explored the principles of magnetism and electricity. Zach Leighton and Cody Wile tested the strength of magnets. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Tarr appointed to BioFuels Task Force

BOSTON - Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester) has been appointed to the Biofuels Task Force by Senate Minority Leader Richard Tisei (R-Wakefield) and Senate President Therese Murray (D-Plymouth).

The taskforce will develop a strategic framework to

research, promote and outline the current obstacles to advance the distribution of ethanol and biofuels within the Commonwealth. The Biofuels Taskforce will report its findings and recommendations to Governor Patrick and the clerks of the House and Senate no later than March 31, 2008.

"Biofuels offer an important opportunity for our state to reduce energy costs, gain independence from fossil fuels and improve the quality of our environment," said Tarr. He added that "By developing a sound strategy now we can take advantage of these benefits early, and in sustainable ways."

The taskforce will be comprised of nine members including Sens. Pamela P. Resor, (D-Acton), and Benjamin B. Downing (D-Pittsfield), and will be chaired by the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Ian Bowles.

Sullivan Bille, P.C. makes in-house promotions

TEWKSBURY - Sullivan Bille, P.C., a regional accounting firm with offices in Tewksbury, Boston and Salem, NH is pleased to announce the promotions of Holly E. Mawhinney, CPA and Maria E. Marchand, CPA to Managers.

Holly B. Mawhinney, CPA has been with the firm for 22 years and has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from the University of Massachusetts - Lowell. Holly is a member of the Massachusetts Society of

Certified Public Accountants and of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Holly, her husband, Guy and their children are residents of Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Maria E. Marchand, CPA has been with the firm for 9 years and has a Bachelor of Science in Accountancy from Northeastern University. She is currently a candidate to receive her Master of Science in Taxation from Bentley College in May 2008. Maria is a

member of the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. She is also an active member and Treasurer of the Great Lowell Chamber of Commerce. Maria, her husband, Michael and three daughters are residents of Tewksbury, Massachusetts.

We appreciate how hard they have worked to achieve this important career goal.



MASON: William and Marie Mason of Wilmington, MA are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, a son, Jonathan Peter Mason, born on December 7, 2007 at Winchester Hospital.

Jonathan was born at 10:59 a.m. and weighed 8 lbs 14 oz and was 21" long.

His big sister is Olivia Mary, 5 years old.

Proud Grandparents are Mary and (the late) Peter Barysky of Wilmington, MA and William and Patricia Mason of Wilmington, MA. Great Grandmother is Josephine Castronovo of North Reading, MA.

Let's Hear it!! Your Two Cents...

Tewksbury Soccer League: what is going on with the bathrooms you have promised us for 2-3 years now? I have volunteered my time at events specifically to raise money for the cause as well as given a donation. I recently heard these bathrooms are not going to happen again this year. Where is all the money that's been raised specifically for this bathroom gone? I believe we deserve an explanation of what the heck is going on here! Hopefully, we don't have another baseball situation here??
Thumbs Down!

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MBA announces holiday schedule for Martin Luther King Day

Most banks closed

BOSTON - The Massachusetts Bankers Association said today that most Bay State banks will be closed on Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 21, 2008.

"Martin Luther King Day is a state holiday in Massachusetts and most banks will be closed so that we all can honor the life and contributions of Dr. King," said Daniel J. Forte, president

and CEO of the Massachusetts Bankers Association.

Although most banks will be closed on Martin Luther King Day, this may not apply to all banks in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Each bank can exercise its own discretion to remain closed or open. Consumers should verify schedules with their own local bank.

Tewksbury's Budget Task force makes recommendations

Proposition 2 1/2 override and user fees imminent

By JAYNE W. MILLER

TEWKSBURY - The financial planning task force will present its findings to the Board of Selectmen next week but the Crier has the exclusive preview of the task force's recommendations, which promise to effect every area of the town in hopes to put the budget back on track.

The task force, made up of eleven members from committees and boards throughout the community, was created to find ways to increase efficiencies, drive down costs, and find revenue sources. Tewksbury faces an estimated \$5.5 million deficit for Fiscal year 2009, a projected \$8 million deficit for Fiscal Year 2010 and a projected \$10 million deficit for FY11.

With arguments sometimes heated between parties at the meetings held on Monday and Tuesday evenings, the task force voted on 74 recommendations to present to the town a the Board of Selectmen meeting scheduled for next Tuesday. Among them were plans to re-organize that high school athletics become self-funding, the recreation department become self-funding, a spate of ideas to improve state aid for education, a recommendation to conduct negotiations in public, consolidations of technologies and services across town and school departments, and ideas to reduce pension and health care costs.

While a consensus emerged around measures geared toward garnering greater funding for special education, other items brought strong discussion. Kicking off Tuesday evening was a recap of Monday's vote to lower the Community Preservation Act rate from 1.5% to 1%, or a savings of \$15 per average household per year. The CPA was voted in two years ago at town meeting and then at the ballot by residents and raises approximately \$550,000 per year, with additional matching funds from

the State. Those funds go to improve the community in four areas: open space, recreation, historic preservation and affordable housing.

Planning Board member Nancy Reed appeared before the task force wanting to know why the group passed the recommendation.

Dropping the rate half a percent will reduce the fund by an estimated \$175,000, not including matching funds from the state, but that money would not be collected elsewhere for inclusion into the general fund and in no way alleviates the structural deficit or improves the town's bottom line.

"I think it would be a giant step backward for our community," said CPA supporter Karen Sliva, a major proponent who helped get the measure passed. "It's a mistake to cut it down."

That decision is still pending, of course, and will be decided by the people at town meeting and again at the ballot box later this spring if the Selectmen agree to move forward with the recommendation.

The task force members that did vote to lower the rate did so to create an incentive for residents to vote for a Proposition 2 1/2 override. Keith Rauseo and Jamie Cutelis, both task force members, did not believe that a \$15 reduction on the household tax bill would encourage someone to vote for a much higher tax increase.

As far as an override goes, yes, the task force will likely include an override as part of its recommendations, though the amount has yet to be determined. The task force will take that up at its meeting on Thursday evening, January 17th, at the police station and will present the amount and details of any override recommendation at Tuesday's Selectmen meeting.

Another possible cost savings measure would have the

Selectmen move capital costs for the Sewer and water enterprise funds already paid by residents onto property taxes. Finance Director Donna Walsh checked with the Department of Revenue and received confirmation that the move is acceptable. While the move would drive up property taxes for all residents in town, those taxes would be deductible. Sewer and water rates would also drop, possibly encouraging more residents to tie into the system.

Moving on, the group spent a substantial amount of time discussing the pension system albatross. The group plans to ask selectmen and the School Committee to solicit the town's legislative delegation to look at the pension system to find more cost effective ways for municipalities to fund it. Currently, pensions are based at 80% of the average of the three maximum earning years an employee worked. That system is subject to manipulation by employees who earn higher pay in the three years immediately preceding retirement and end up receiving more money in the first year of retirement than placed into the system over the whole of a career.

Rauseo tried to build consensus to ask the state delegation to consider a legislative change that would not have the pensions based on the three highest paying years but rather the average over the years of service for the town, but it did not receive much traction from other members.

Two measures addressing labor negotiations are included in the list of recommendations. The first asks that town boards responsible for collective bargaining hold pre and post session public hearings to inform residents about the nature and expectations of the hearings. The second seeks to hold collective bargaining meetings under the open meeting law, reducing the extreme secrecy of the process and increasing clarity and visibility into public employee contracts. The second measure would require an act of Beacon Hill before it could be put into effect.

The task force voted Monday to ask the state legislation to allow the use of flagmen for construction projects, rather than detail officers. Massachusetts is the only state in the country that uses police officers instead of flagmen for DPW construction details, costing taxpayers more money.

The task force also developed twelve recommendations specific to the school department including eliminating the block schedule so that teacher prep times would be shorter and therefore current teachers could take on more classes or enable a lowering of class sizes. The task force wants selectmen and the school committee to ask the legislative delegation to

pursue a 50/50 split for Chapter 70 funding, forming a Special education contingency fund to help stabilize fluctuating costs from students that move into town, and changing the school choice law to include vocational schools. The latter would save the town by saving \$9,000 per student that attends the Shawsheen Technical Vocational School and makes the school subject to the confines of Proposition 2 1/2, just like the towns that fund it.

Federal Special Education funding this year increased less than the rate of inflation and continuous under-funding of this federal mandate has put the burden of special education costs on municipalities.

The task force also recommended making high school athletics and the recreation department self-funding. Currently athletics at the high school costs \$450,000 per year, an expense not considered a top priority by committee chair and Town Assessor, Jay Kelley. The current athletic fees, \$100 per sport no cap; raise less than \$100,000, or less than one quarter of the needed funds.

Rauseo, opposed this measure, arguing that the task force needs to keep in mind that families in town seem to put great emphasis on athletics.

"In my four years on the School Committee I never received more calls than those

wanting to know about the athletic director at the high school," remarked Rauseo, who stressed that the people have to have the right to vote on these measures. A family with two children playing three sports at the high school level would face a \$2,500 bill. Others argued that the recreational or club level sports before high school also engender high fees that families paid before going to high school.

The task force also agrees to recommend that the Parks and Recreation Department be trimmed down to just Recreation with responsibility for parks transferring back to the Department of Public Works.

The task force has worked for more than eight months on the recommendations, talking with nearly all departments and town boards, with the notable exception of Charlie Lyons, principal of the Shawsheen Tech and the two town representatives to the Shawsheen Tech School Committee, who failed to appear. As of Tuesday, many of the recommendations depend on state or even federal legislative action to help realize substantial cost savings and none of them estimated an amount saved. The task force also voted not to make recommendations based on the Sutton Brook Remediation project, as that figure is not yet known.

Tucker joins Representative Jim Miceli in opposing the plant.

An email from her legislative

Tucker opposes power plant

By JAYNE W. MILLER

TEWKSBURY/BOSTON - State Senator Susan Tucker announced this week her opposition to the proposed 348 Mega Watt power plant slated for Tewksbury's border.

"I've listened very carefully to both sides of the issues and my decision is based on two areas," Tucker told the Crier Wednesday morning. "First,

the unanswered questions about future operation of the plant once it is built and turned over to a new owner. Second, the common sense approach that a power plant should not be located so close to houses, schools and critical environmental resources such as the Concord River."

Tucker says that local residents have raised a number of

concerns and asked questions about the way the plant will operate after developers DG Clean Power and Montgomery Energy Partners turns it over to ISO-NE.

"Those questions remain unanswered," Tucker reiterated. "The health and safety of the people I represent are of paramount importance to me."

aided, Joe Rich, to a member of the citizen group Billerica Watchers, stated the Senator's opposition to the power plant and indicated that her office is "looking into all her options for action."

Tucker joins Representative Jim Miceli in opposing the plant.

Shawsheen Tech Honor Roll - Wilmington students

High Honors

Grade 9: Anthony DePiano, Alisha Duffy, Kayla McCluskey
Grade 10: Nicole Iosue, Patrick Magee, William Reynolds
Grade 11: Ashley Antico
Grade 12: Sarah Webber

Honors

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Grade 10: Amanda Barnes, Matthew Bocchino, Tamika Brighton, Krissy Cafua, Daniel Comeau, Andrew Companschi, Melissa Curran, Matthew Farrell, Michael Federico, Nichole Layon, Kristyn McNally, Michael O'Connell, Jesse Rossetti, Brian Tavares, Jesse Turner
Grade 11: Jason Baker, Stephen Baker, Jr., Dillon Biase, Adam Brown, Daylon Burke, Robert DePiano, Jr., Brandon

Furbush, Patrick Gedaminsky, Jayce Humes, Andrew Maga, Andrew Puccio, Ryan Savini, Vanessa Spada, Kasey Stokes, Benjamin Stuke, Krystle Trudelle, Ashley Valente, Paul Visconti, Joshua Weaver,

Christopher Zuppa
Grade 12: George D'Amelio, Jeffrey DeRose, Ryan Fahey, Amie Gibbons, Joseph Gore, Chelsea Greenberg, Matthew Hope, Christopher Kavanaugh, Shayla Kelley, Breanne Kindred,

Ashley Marchesi, Robert McIsaac, Colin Mooney, Coryden Phillips, Timothy Rossetti, Stephen Tello, Kaila Walsh, Steven Wamboldt, Sarah Wilson



Kyle Woodman, age 6 enjoyed sledding on the hill next to the Buzzell Senior Center on Monday. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Tewksbury absentee voting in February 5, 2008 Presidential Primary

Tewksbury Town Clerk, Elizabeth Carey, has prepared the following concerning absentee voting for the February 5, 2008, Presidential Primary.

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You, or a family member, must apply in writing, for an absentee ballot from the office of the Town Clerk before NOON on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2008.

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Requesting to vote by mail: A ballot will be sent to any address you specify. Be sure to apply early because the ballot must be sent by mail and returned by mail or hand delivered to the Town Clerk's Office before 7:00 PM on election day.

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is before NOON on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4th. You may fill out the absentee ballot application and vote at the Town Hall during the same visit. Office hours are Monday through

Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm and Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Please phone the Town Clerk's office at 978-640-4355 if we can be of further assistance.

Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library Book Store Next Door

WILMINGTON - Happy New Year Everyone! Last weekend hinted of Spring and here we are again in the midst of winter storms. It is still not too late to follow through with your New Year's Resolutions and if cleaning your bookcases is one of them, be sure to think of the bookstore as a recipient. However, try not to buy them back as you replenish your shelves with "new" treasures.

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Hess Select Chard	750 \$8.99	Chat St Jean Chard	750 \$7.99
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Sutterhome White Zin	750 \$2.99	Silver Oak Napa Cab	750 \$77.99
J Lohr Chard	750 \$8.99	Fortissimo	4L \$11.99
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Liquor Specials

Sambuca Romana	750 \$17.99	Dewars Scotch	175 \$32.99
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Balvenie Double Wood	750 \$29.99	Kennedys Canadian	175 \$12.99
Ron Roberto Rum	175 \$11.99	Mt Gay Elipse	175 \$23.50
Grand Marnier	750 \$27.99	Drambuie	750 \$23.99
J Walker Red Scotch	175 \$30.99	Frangelico	750 SALE
Amaretto Di Soronno	750 \$17.99	Kennedys Scotch	750 \$13.99

Beer Specials

Miller Lite Btles	12PK \$8.99	Guinness Cans	18PK \$18.99
Busch Cans	30PK \$13.99	Natural Light	30PK \$12.99
Michelob Cans	18PK \$12.99	Budweiser Cans	18PK \$11.99
Dos Equis Btles	12PK \$10.99	Keystone Reg/Light	12PK \$5.99
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OBITUARIES

Bernard "Bernie" Fiebranz Retired truck mechanic, Veteran; 81

TEWKSBURY - Bernard "Bernie" Fiebranz, age 81, died Sunday, Jan. 13, at Saints Memorial after a brief illness. He was the beloved husband of Judith (Cobbett) Fiebranz, with whom he would have celebrated his 45th wedding anniversary in April.

He was born in Westbend, Wisconsin, a son of the late Otto and Minna, (Lahs) Fiebranz. He moved with his family to Germany at age twelve where he lived until joining the United States Army in 1953. He married after his tour of duty, living briefly in Reading and Stoneham before settling to raise his family in Tewksbury in 1967.

He was a retired heavy truck mechanic and worked at Hemingway in Woburn, Consolidated Freight in Woburn, and retired from Lombard Brothers in Malden.

Besides being a family man, his interests included gardening, traveling, fishing, and reading, particularly about history.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his son, Scott Fiebranz of Lowell, his two daughters, Sandra Fiebranz and Debra Fiebranz of Tewksbury; two



brothers and sisters-in-law, Rudolph "Rudy" and his wife Martha Fiebranz of Texas, Gerhard and his wife Frances Fiebranz of CA.

He was also the brother of the late Florence Kryzick, Elizabeth Krawzow, Walter Fiebranz and James Fiebranz.

His Funeral Service was held on Wednesday Jan. 16 at 11:00 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home. Burial was in Tewksbury Cemetery, Tewksbury. Donations made to Massachusetts General Hospital Development Office, Honoree designation of Dr. Roman DeSanctis, 165 Cambridge Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114, are appreciated.

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Austin L. Rounds

Formerly on Wilmington Planning Board; accomplished pilot; WWII veteran

MASHPEE, MA - Austin Lincoln Rounds, 83, of Mashpee, Ma., formerly of Wilmington, Ma., died peacefully at the Mary McCarthy Hospice House in E. Sandwich on Jan. 11, 2008 after a long illness. Second son of the late Albert Prentiss (known as A.P.) Rounds and Ruth Warfield. He is survived by his loving wife of 25 years, Maureen (Cassidy) Rounds of Mashpee, father of Rebecca P. Michela of Waldorf, MD., Jonathan L. Rounds of Brookline, Ma., Michael J. Rounds of Kailua, HI., Martha R. Rounds of Acton, Ma., Christopher W. Rounds of Canton, Ma., and David R. Schieffelin of Woodbury, CT., brother of Esther R. Lee of Wilmington, Ma., and William A. Rounds of Grandbury, Tx., and the late Mary Riggs.

Born on Feb. 9, 1924 in Stoneham, Ma., a graduate of Stoneham High School, he attended Boston University prior to enlisting in the Army Air Corps where he trained as a pilot. He flew several types of aircraft including the B-17. At the end of the WWII, he

returned to Boston Univ. and graduated in 1948 from the School of Business Management. He rowed on the BU Crew for three years and became a life long supporter of BU Men's Crew.

He never lost his love of flying. He flew a Cessna 172 and spent several years building his own experimental airplane. He was a active member of the Experimental Aircraft Assn. Chapter 106 located at Lawrence Municipal Airport in Lawrence, Ma. and Chapter 498 at the Cape Cod Airport in Marston Mills, Ma. He owned a number of businesses during his working life. He served for many years on the Wilmington, Ma. Planning Board. One of the greatest pleasures of his life was camping with his wife, children, and sixteen grandchildren at the family's farm on Moose Pond in Bridgton, Me.

A celebration of his life for family and friends will be held at later date, with a private burial at the family cemetery in Bridgton, Me.

Donations may be made to Mary McCarthy Hospice House, 73 Service Rd., E. Sandwich, Ma. 02537.

Martha L. Woodside

Foster mother to over 100; Past Worthy Matron of Rainbow

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Martha L. (Lloyd) Woodside, age 90, of Wilmington, died Saturday, January 12, 2008, at the Woburn Nursing Center following a brief illness. Mrs. Woodside was born November 3, 1917, in Billerica, MA, the daughter of the late Frank and Margaret (Wackwell) Lloyd. Martha was raised in Billerica and educated there. She moved to Wilmington in 1938 with her husband Ernest, and she resided there until her death.

Martha was a dedicated wife and mother, she loved her home, she devoted her life to taking care of her family and many others. She took in, cared for, and loved over 100 foster children in the state of Massachusetts. In her spare time, Martha loved to knit, crochet, and sew. Martha was also loved her religion, she was a member of the Forest Street Congregational Church, Wilmington Congregational Church, and the Community Congregational Church in Billerica. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Women's group, and a Past Worthy Matron of Rainbow. Martha was the beloved wife of the late Ernest Woodside, devoted mother of Neil Woodside & his wife Rita Anne of Wilmington, and Ernest Woodside & his wife Dorna of Derry, NH, her foster daughters Judy Fraser of



Conyers, GA, and Aldene Magee of Halifax, MA, loving grandmother of Tara Lee, Robbie, Cheryl Anne, Christine Anne, Shelley Lee and Lisa Lee, great-grandmother of Melissa and Brandon, and dear sister of Sunny Lloyd of Wilmington.

Her Funeral Service will be held at the Community Congregational Church, 803 Boston Road, Billerica on Friday, January 18th, at 10:00 a.m. Interment Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Visiting hours at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Thursday from 4-8 p.m.

Memorial donation's in Martha's name made be made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, 5005 LBJ Fwy, Suite 250, Dallas, TX 75244.

Visiting Nurses Association offers bereavement programs

Adult support groups

Support groups provide a place to express feelings, share experiences, learn about grief, and move ahead in one's grief process. Support groups are free of charge and open to the community.

Pre-registration is required for all groups. To register, please call Dave Quemere, LICSW, 781-569-2825 or 781-569-2888. All groups meet at VNA Hospice Care, 100 Sylvan Road, Woburn, unless otherwise specified.

Open bereavement support group

Open support group for general loss and bereavement. You are welcome to attend one session or several, but pre-registration is required. This group takes place every other Wednesday beginning January 9. Includes: Jan. 23, Feb. 6, 20, March 5, 19, April 2, 16, 30, May 14, 28 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of spouse

A six-week support group facilitated by Teri Scott, LCSW, and Megan Anderson, MSW Intern. This event takes place

Tuesdays, Feb. 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of spouse

A six-week support group facilitated by Claire Malynn, LCSW and Nick Doolittle, MSW Intern

This event is on Mondays, March 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, from 10-11:30 a.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of parent

A six-week support group facilitated by Nan Kellett, LICSW and Nancy Ledoux, Hospice Chaplain

This group meets on Thursdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Young widow or widower

A six-week support group for individuals 55 years of age or younger facilitated by David Quemere, LICSW. This event is on Wednesday March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Arlington Public Library (4th Floor) 700 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA.

American Cancer Society's "Daffodil Days" blooms in Massachusetts

WESTON - Daffodil Days, the American Cancer Society's annual event, ushers in the first week of spring with the distribution of beautiful blossoms that bring hope to local cancer patients and their families. On sale through Monday, March 3, the American Cancer Society is reaching out to individuals and businesses to order daffodils this year. "Local residents will not only bring beautiful, yellow blossoms into their homes and workplaces, but they will contribute to the preservation of vital programs and services of the American Cancer Society's Cancer Resource Network, according to Holly Grant, State Vice President of Development. Contributions from Daffodil Days make a significant difference in services for cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers. Dollars raised enable the society to offer free programs and services that help people fight cancer with courage and optimism, while providing physical and emotional support and financial information to ease the cancer experience. Such resources in Massachusetts include:

- Transportation assistance to and from treatment
- Lodging assistance when traveling far distances for treatment
- A one-on-one support program that matches trained breast cancer survivors with those newly diagnosed with the disease to provide emotional support and guidance
- A series of online educational classes for people with cancer and their loved ones
- A free and confidential ser-

vices that helps cancer patients locate a cancer clinical trial based on their individual situation

-A free program dedicated to teaching women techniques to help restore their appearance and self-image during cancer treatments

-A program that offers free information and support to men with prostate cancer

-24-hour access to up-to-date, easy to understand cancer information via a toll free information line; 1-800-ACS-2345.

Additionally, daffodil contributions provide the society with much-needed dollars to fund groundbreaking cancer research, educate people about the importance of cancer prevention and early detection, and advocate for meaningful public health policies that benefit the community. Orders for daffodil bouquets are being taken now, with delivery scheduled for the week of March 17. A bouquet of ten daffodils is \$10. Businesses can purchase in bulk, 50 bouquets of daffodils for \$500. New this year, are potted daffodils; a multi-stem daffodil bulb, which will bloom beautifully on a desk or at home for a donation of \$15. A Gift of Hope, bouquets of golden-colored daffodils delivered anonymously to a local cancer patient or person in need, is available for a minimum donation of \$20. This year's Bear and a Bunch(TM), marks the addition of Bea R. Hope, a special Boyds(TM) Bear designed exclusively for the American Cancer Society and is available for a donation of \$25.

To purchase daffodils or for more information, please call your American Cancer Society at 1.800.ACS.2345 or visit www.cancer.org. The deadline to place an order for Daffodils is Monday, March 3, 2008.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913, and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional Divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information anytime, call toll free 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

James McFadyen Sr.

Retired manager for Boston Filter Co.

WILMINGTON - Mr. James McFadyen Sr., age 88, of Wilmington formerly of Roslindale, died January 13th 2008, at his home following a brief illness. He was the beloved husband of Catherine H. (Haggerty). Born in Boston he was the son of the late James and Christina (Dow) McFadyen.

Mr. McFadyen was a retired manager and worked for many years with the Boston Filter Co. formerly of Charlestown. Mostly devoted to his family, he enjoyed and cherished time spent with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Mr. McFadyen was a United States Army Veteran of WWII and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Wilmington's American Legion, Veterans of Foreign War, and the Disabled American Veterans.

In addition to his late parents, Mr. McFadyen is predeceased by his n, James W. McFadyen. He is survived by his daughters, Catherine McFadyen of

Medford, Christine Gould and her husband Alan of Andover.

He is also survived by his daughter-in-law Irene McFadyen of Tewksbury. He was the loving grandfather of James A. McFadyen, Susan M. Giglio, Joseph McFadyen, Valerie Heithaus, Melissa Tartamella, Jocelyn Gould and ten loving great grandchildren. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews.

His funeral will be held from the Dello Russo - Cavanaugh Funeral Home, 374 Main St., Wilmington Thursday, January 17th, at 9 a.m. followed by a funeral mass celebrated in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Visiting hours Wednesday, January 16th, from 4 thru 8. Services will conclude with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. It has been requested that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in James' memory to the charity of one's choice.

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Madison Dickson, age 7 was sledding on the hill beside the Buzzell Senior Center on Monday.

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Test prep

Safe and in control driving on the roadways

Thursday, January 17, at 7 p.m. Dan Strollo, an advanced driver training instructor, will be at the library. He will review defensive driving skills, such as, panic stops, effective skid control, emergency lane changes, etc. Great program for drivers of all ages!

Identity Theft: don't be a victim

Tuesday, January 22, at 7 p.m., Julie Gershon, an identity theft specialist with Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc., will present a seminar on how to prevent identity theft and what to do if you are a victim. Ms. Gershon has presented this [Identity] Theft Seminar to dozens of companies and social organizations throughout New England in an effort to educate consumers about one of the fastest growing crimes in the world today. Check out the Federal Trade Commission's web site for more information on identity theft. <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/idtheft/>

Museum passes cancellations

The library has a number of discount passes to area museums. These passes are funded by local organizations. You can reserve the passes on the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Click on "Quick Links" and select Museum Passes from the drop down menu. You can cancel the pass online or you can call the library at 978-658-2967. On the museum pass reservation site, click on "my passes" (located to the right of "Help"). Please take a few moments to cancel your pass reservation if it will not be used so it can be made available to others.

Homebound delivery service

Any Wilmington resident who is permanently or temporarily homebound is eligible for the library's homebound delivery service. This service is offered by volunteer members of the Friends of the Library. If you or someone you know has a disability or health problem and would like to have books or other library material delivered to them by a volunteer, you may pick up an application at the library or print a copy from the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Look under "Library Services," and click on "Library Cards, etc." Scroll down to "Homebound Delivery."

Income tax forms

The library has a supply of federal and state income tax forms. They are located in the front lobby of the library. Income tax forms are also available to print from the IRS web site www.irs.gov. For state tax forms, you can go to www.mass.gov/dor.

Test prep

If you are studying for SATs, GED, GMAT or any other standardized test, check out the online test prep help on the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Choose "Research Databases" at the top of the page. Scroll down to the very bottom

and choose "Practice Exams -Testing & Education Reference Center Basic." Choose "From Home" and enter your library card number (no spaces). You will now have access to the Peterson's Testing & Education Reference Center.

Teen Zone News

Lives Less Ordinary

If you're tired of the everyday humdrum, stop by for something new to read! Pick up one of booklists, prepared by Teen Services Librarian Brandy Danner, for suggestions in realistic fiction, sci-fi and fantasy, or historical fiction. Whether you're interested in sports or music, strike or mutinies, we can match you to a good book. Booklists are also available online, at http://www.wilmli.org/teens/good_reads.html.



Week of Jan. 21

WILMINGTON SCHOOLS

Wildwood & Boutwell
Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetable, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Early Dismissal. Pancakes w/syrup, sausage, apple slices w/topping, juice.
Thursday: Turkey nuggets w/rice, sweet corn, apple slices.
Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.
Elementary
Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetables, mixed

Teen Book Awards

The titles of the 2008 award winners were released on January 14th. Would you have expected them? Stop in the Teen Zone to see the complete list of award and honor winners Teen Advisory Group Middle- and high-school students are encouraged to attend the next meeting of our Teen and Advisory Group. Bring your opinions and ideas; enjoy refreshments! We'll be meeting from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 30th.

Upcoming children's programs

Story/Craft Snowflake Magic
Story and craft event for children ages five and older will be held on Wednesday, January 23, at 3:30 p.m. After hearing stories about snow, the children

will be creating their own special snowflakes. Visit or call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098.

Wednesday: Early Dismissal. Bagel with yogurt, cheese stick, cream cheese, vegetable sticks, pears.

Thursday: Ultimate nachos w/ all the fixings, rice, apple slices.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.

Middle School & High School
Monday: No School.

Tuesday: (Middle School-Turkey patty on a roll, oven fries, mixed fruit.

High School - Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetables, mixed fruit.

Wednesday: Early Dismissal. No Lunch Served.

Thursday: Ultimate nachos w/all the fixings, rice, peaches.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday: No School.
Tuesday: No Lunches
Wednesday: Nacho chips with

beef and all the fixings, rice, fruit or fruit juice, milk variety.

Book discussion

Book two in the popular Percy Jackson and the Olympians series by Rick Riordan, The Sea of Monsters, will be discussed by children ages nine and older on Friday, January 18th at 3:30 p.m. The adventure fantasy continues at a fast pace, finding Percy, Poseidon's 13-year-old demigod son, desperate to rescue his friend, Grover, and to retrieve the Golden Fleece which is needed to protect Camp Half-Blood, the only safe haven for children of gods and humans. Drop-in for discussion and snacks. Door prizes will be provided by the Friends of the Library.

Thursday: K-4 - Scrambled eggs, sausage patty, hash brown sticks, applesauce, oatmeal cookie, milk variety. 5-12 - Egg and cheese muffin, hash brown sticks, applesauce, fresh orange quarters, oatmeal cookie, milk variety.

Friday: Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad w/low fat dressing, seasoned pasta, fruit or juice, milk variety.

SHAWSHEEN TECH

Monday: American chop suey, wheat roll, salad w/ low fat dressing, milk variety, fruit.

Tuesday: Chicken pot pie w/ veg, mashed potato, whole wheat roll, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Wednesday: Chili and rice, green beans, chips, salad w/low fat dressing, whole wheat roll, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Thursday: Sliced turkey w/gravy, stuffing, mashed potato, peas, cranberry sauce, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Senior Lunches

Week of Jan 21, 2008

Monday: Holiday. No Lunch Served.

Tuesday: Roasted chicken, roasted potatoes, corn, pumpernickel bread, apricots.

Wednesday: Stuffed cabbage with tomato sauce, parsleyed potatoes, lite rye bread, mixed

fruit, smoothie.

Thursday: Roast pork with gravy, broccoli, whipped potatoes, whole wheat roll, applesauce.

Friday: Stuffed shells with tomato sauce, green beans, whole wheat bread, orange wedge, snack cake.

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OBITUARIES

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Born on Feb. 9, 1924 in Stoneham, Ma., a graduate of Stoneham High School, he attended Boston University prior to enlisting in the Army Air Corps where he trained as a pilot. He flew several types of aircraft including the B-17. At the end of the WWII, he

returned to Boston Univ. and graduated in 1948 from the School of Business Management. He rowed on the BU Crew for three years and became a life long supporter of BU Men's Crew.

He never lost his love of flying. He flew a Cessna 172 and spent several years building his own experimental airplane. He was a active member of the Experimental Aircraft Assn. Chapter 106 located at Lawrence Municipal Airport in Lawrence, Ma. and Chapter 498 at the Cape Cod Airport in Marstons Mills, Ma. He owned a number of businesses during his working life. He served for many years on the Wilmington, Ma. Planning Board. One of the greatest pleasures of his life was camping with his wife, children, and sixteen grandchildren at the family's farm on Moose Pond in Bridgton, Me.

A celebration of his life for family and friends will be held at later date, with a private burial at the family cemetery in Bridgton, Me.

Donations may be made to Mary McCarthy Hospice House, 73 Service Rd., E. Sandwich, Ma. 02537.

Martha L. Woodside

Foster mother to over 100; Past Worthy Matron of Rainbow

WILMINGTON - Mrs. Martha L. (Lloyd) Woodside, age 90, of Wilmington, died Saturday, January 12, 2008, at the Woburn Nursing Center following a brief illness. Mrs. Woodside was born November 3, 1917, in Billerica, MA, the daughter of the late Frank and Margaret (Wackwell) Lloyd. Martha was raised in Billerica and educated there. She moved to Wilmington in 1938 with her husband Ernest, and she resided there until her death.

Martha was a dedicated wife and mother, she loved her home, she devoted her life to taking care of her family and many others. She took in, cared for, and loved over 100 foster children in the state of Massachusetts. In her spare time, Martha loved to knit, crochet, and sew. Martha was also loved her religion, she was a member of the Forest Street Congregational Church, Wilmington Congregational Church, and the Community Congregational Church in Billerica. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Women's group, and a Past Worthy Matron of Rainbow. Martha was the beloved wife of the late Ernest Woodside, devoted mother of Neil Woodside & his wife Rita Anne of Wilmington, and Ernest Woodside & his wife Dorna of Derry, NH, her foster daughters Judy Fraser of



Conyers, GA, and Aldene Magee of Halifax, MA, loving grandmother of Tara Lee, Robbie, Cheryl Anne, Christine Anne, Shelley Lee and Lisa Lee, great-grandmother of Melissa and Brandon, and dear sister of Sunny Lloyd of Wilmington.

Her Funeral Service will be held at the Community Congregational Church, 803 Boston Road, Billerica on Friday, January 18th, at 10:00 a.m. Interment Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Visiting hours at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Thursday from 4-8 p.m.

Memorial donation's in Martha's name made be made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, 5005 LBJ Fwy, Suite 250, Dallas, TX 75244.

Visiting Nurses Association offers bereavement programs

Adult support groups

Support groups provide a place to express feelings, share experiences, learn about grief, and move ahead in one's grief process. Support groups are free of charge and open to the community.

Pre-registration is required for all groups. To register, please call Dave Quemere, LICSW, 781-569-2825 or 781-569-2888. All groups meet at VNA Hospice Care, 100 Sylvan Road, Woburn, unless otherwise specified.

Open bereavement support group

Open support group for general loss and bereavement. You are welcome to attend one session or several, but pre-registration is required. This group takes place every other Wednesday beginning January 9. Includes: Jan. 23, Feb. 6, 20, March 5, 19, April, 2, 16, 30, May 14, 28 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of spouse

A six-week support group facilitated by Teri Scott, LCSW, and Megan Anderson, MSW Intern. This event takes place

Tuesdays, Feb. 26, March, 4, 11, 18, 25, April, 1, from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of spouse

A six-week support group facilitated by Claire Malynn, LCSW and Nick Doolittle, MSW Intern

This event is on Mondays March 17, 24, 31, April, 7, 14, 21 from 10-11:30 a.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Loss of parent

A six-week support group facilitated by Nan Kellett, LICSW and Nancy Ledoux, Hospice Chaplain

This group meets on Thursdays, March, 13, 20, 27, April, 3, 10, 17. from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at VNA Hospice Care

Young widow or widower

A six-week support group for individuals 55 years of age or younger facilitated by David Quemere, LICSW. This event is on Wednesday March, 12, 19, 26, April, 2, 9, 16 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Arlington Public Library (4th Floor) 700 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington, MA.

American Cancer Society's "Daffodil Days" blooms in Massachusetts

WESTON - Daffodil Days, the American Cancer Society's annual event, ushers in the first week of spring with the distribution of beautiful blossoms that bring hope to local cancer patients and their families. On sale through Monday, March 3, the American Cancer Society is reaching out to individuals and businesses to order daffodils this year. "Local residents will not only bring beautiful, yellow blossoms into their homes and workplaces, but they will contribute to the preservation of vital programs and services of the American Cancer Society's Cancer Resource Network, according to Holly Grant, State Vice President of Development. Contributions from Daffodil Days make a significant difference in services for cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers. Dollars raised enable the society to offer free programs and services that help people fight cancer with courage and optimism, while providing physical and emotional support and financial information to ease the cancer experience. Such resources in Massachusetts include:

- Transportation assistance to and from treatment
- Lodging assistance when traveling far distances for treatment
- A one-on-one support program that matches trained breast cancer survivors with those newly diagnosed with the disease to provide emotional support and guidance
- A series of online educational classes for people with cancer and their loved ones
- A free and confidential ser-

vice that helps cancer patients locate a cancer clinical trial based on their individual situation

-A free program dedicated to teaching women techniques to help restore their appearance and self-image during cancer treatments

-A program that offers free information and support to men with prostate cancer

-24-hour access to up-to-date, easy to understand cancer information via a toll free information line; 1-800-ACS-2345.

Additionally, daffodil contributions provide the society with much-needed dollars to fund groundbreaking cancer research, educate people about the importance of cancer prevention and early detection, and advocate for meaningful public health policies that benefit the community. Orders for daffodil bouquets are being taken now, with delivery scheduled for the week of March 17. A bouquet of ten daffodils is \$10. Businesses can purchase in bulk, 50 bouquets of daffodils for \$500. New this year, are potted daffodils: a multi-stem daffodil bulb, which will bloom beautifully on a desk or at home for a donation of \$15. A Gift of Hope, bouquets of gold-en-colored daffodils delivered anonymously to a local cancer patient or person in need, is available for a minimum donation of \$20. This year's Bear and a Bunch(TM) Bear designed exclusively for the American Cancer Society and is available for a donation of \$25.

To purchase daffodils or for more information, please call your American Cancer Society at 1.800.ACS.2345 or visit www.cancer.org. The deadline to place an order for Daffodils is Monday, March 3, 2008.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913, and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional Divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information anytime, call toll free 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

James McFadyen Sr.

Retired manager for Boston Filter Co.

WILMINGTON - Mr. James McFadyen Sr., age 88, of Wilmington formerly of Roslindale, died January 13th 2008, at his home following a brief illness. He was the beloved husband of Catherine H. (Haggerty). Born in Boston he was the son of the late James and Christina (Dow) McFadyen.

Mr. McFadyen was a retired manager and worked for many years with the Boston Filter Co. formerly of Charlestown. Mostly devoted to his family, he enjoyed and cherished time spent with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Mr. McFadyen was a United States Army Veteran of WWII and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was a member of the Wilmington's American Legion, Veterans of Foreign War, and the Disabled American Veterans.

In addition to his late parents, Mr. McFadyen is predeceased by his n, James W. McFadyen. He is survived by his daughters, Catherine McFadyen of

Medford, Christine Gould and her husband Alan of Andover.

He is also survived by his daughter-in-law Irene McFadyen of Tewksbury. He was the loving grandfather of James A. McFadyen, Susan M. Giglio, Joseph McFadyen, Valerie Heithaus, Melissa Tartamella, Jocelyn Gould and ten loving great grandchildren. He is further survived by many nieces and nephews.

His funeral will be held from the Dello Russo - Cavanaugh Funeral Home, 374 Main St., Wilmington Thursday, January 17th, at 9 a.m. followed by a funeral mass celebrated in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

Visiting hours Wednesday, January 16th, from 4 thru 8. Services will conclude with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. It has been requested that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in James' memory to the charity of one's choice.

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Madison Dickson, age 7 was sledding on the hill beside the Buzzell Senior Center on Monday.
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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Test prep

Safe and in control driving on the roadways

Thursday, January 17, at 7 p.m. Dan Strollo, an advanced driver training instructor, will be at the library. He will review defensive driving skills, such as, panic stops, effective skid control, emergency lane changes, etc. Great program for drivers of all ages!

Identity Theft: don't be a victim

Tuesday, January 22, at 7 p.m., Julie Gershon, an identity theft specialist with Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc., will present a seminar on how to prevent identity theft and what to do if you are a victim. Ms. Gershon has presented this Identity Theft Seminar to dozens of companies and social organizations throughout New England in an effort to educate consumers about one of the fastest growing crimes in the world today. Check out the Federal Trade Commission's web site for more information on identity theft. <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/idtheft/>

Museum passes cancellations

The library has a number of discount passes to area museums. These passes are funded by local organizations. You can reserve the passes on the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Click on "Quick Links" and select Museum Passes from the drop down menu. You can cancel the pass online or you can call the library at 978-658-2967. On the museum pass reservation site, click on "my passes" (located to the right of "Help"). Please take a few moments to cancel your pass reservation if it will not be used so it can be made available to others.

Homebound delivery service

Any Wilmington resident who is permanently or temporarily homebound is eligible for the library's homebound delivery service. This service is offered by volunteer members of the Friends of the Library. If you or someone you know has a disability or health problem and would like to have books or other library material delivered to them by a volunteer, you may pick up an application at the library or print a copy from the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Look under "Library Services," and click on "Library Cards, etc" Scroll down to "Homebound Delivery."

Income tax forms

The library has a supply of federal and state income tax forms. They are located in the front lobby of the library. Income tax forms are also available to print from the IRS web site www.irs.gov. For state tax forms, you can go to www.mass.gov/dor.

Test prep

If you are studying for SATs, GED, GMAT or any other standardized test, check out the online test prep help on the library's web site www.wilmli.org. Choose "Research Databases" at the top of the page. Scroll down to the very bottom

and choose "Practice Exams -Testing & Education Reference Center Basic." Choose "From Home" and enter your library card number (no spaces). You will now have access to the Peterson's Testing & Education Reference Center.

Teen Zone News

Lives Less Ordinary
If you're tired of the everyday humdrum, stop by for something new to read! Pick up one of booklists, prepared by Teen Services Librarian Brandy Danner, for suggestions in realistic fiction, sci-fi and fantasy, or historical fiction. Whether you're interested in sports or music, strike or mutinies, we can match you to a good book. Booklists are also available online, at http://www.wilmli.org/teens/good_reads.html.



Week of Jan. 21

WILMINGTON SCHOOLS

Wildwood & Boutwell
Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetable, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Early Dismissal. Pancakes w/syrup, sausage, apple slices w/topping, juice.
Thursday: Turkey nuggets w/rice, sweet corn, apple slices.
Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.
Elementary
Monday: No School.
Tuesday: Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetables, mixed

Teen Book Awards

The titles of the 2008 award winners were released on January 14th. Would you have expected them? Stop in the Teen Zone to see the complete list of award and honor winners Teen Advisory Group
Middle- and high-school students are encouraged to attend the next meeting of our Teen and Advisory Group. Bring your opinions and ideas; enjoy refreshments! We'll be meeting from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 30th.

Upcoming children's programs

Story/Craft Snowflake Magic
Story and craft event for children ages five and older will be held on Wednesday, January 23, at 3:30 p.m. After hearing stories about snow, the children

will be creating their own special snowflakes. Visit or call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098.

fruit.
Wednesday: Early Dismissal. Bagel with yogurt, cheese stick, cream cheese, vegetable sticks, pears.

Thursday: Ultimate nachos w/ all the fixings, rice, apple slices.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.

Middle School & High School
Monday: No School.

Tuesday: (Middle School-Turkey patty on a roll, oven fries, mixed fruit.

High School - Mozzarella sticks w/marinara sauce, bread stick, steamed vegetables, mixed fruit.

Wednesday: Early Dismissal. No Lunch Served.

Thursday: Ultimate nachos w/all the fixings, rice, peaches.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, tossed salad w/low fat dressing, orange wedge.

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday: No School.
Tuesday: No Lunches
Wednesday: Nacho chips with

beef and all the fixings, rice, fruit or fruit juice, milk variety.

Book discussion

Book two in the popular Percy Jackson and the Olympians series by Rick Riordan, The Sea of Monsters, will be discussed by children ages nine and older on Friday, January 18th at 3:30 p.m. The adventure fantasy continues at a fast pace, finding Percy, Poseidon's 13-year-old demigod son, desperate to rescue his friend, Grover, and to retrieve the Golden Fleece which is needed to protect Camp Half-Blood, the only safe haven for children of gods and humans. Drop-in for discussion and snacks. Door prizes will be provided by the Friends of the Library.

beef and all the fixings, rice, fruit or fruit juice, milk variety.

Thursday: K-4 - Scrambled eggs, sausage patty, hash brown sticks, applesauce, oatmeal cookie, milk variety. 5-12 - Egg and cheese muffin, hash brown sticks, applesauce, fresh orange quarters, oatmeal cookie, milk variety.

Friday: Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad w/low fat dressing, seasoned pasta, fruit or juice, milk variety.

SHAWSHEEN TECH

Monday: American chop suey, wheat roll, salad w/ low fat dressing, milk variety, fruit.

Tuesday: Chicken pot pie w/ veg, mashed potato, whole wheat roll, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Wednesday: Chili and rice, green beans, chips, salad w/low fat dressing, whole wheat roll, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Thursday: Sliced turkey w/gravy, stuffing, mashed potato, peas, cranberry sauce, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Friday: Sal's Pizza, juice, milk variety, fruit.

Senior Lunches

Week of Jan 21, 2008

Monday: Holiday. No Lunch Served.

Tuesday: Roasted chicken, roasted potatoes, corn, pumpernickel bread, apricots.

Wednesday: Stuffed cabbage with tomato sauce, parsleyed potatoes, lite rye bread, mixed

fruit, smoothie.

Thursday: Roast pork with gravy, broccoli, whipped potato, whole wheat roll, applesauce.

Friday: Stuffed shells with tomato sauce, green beans, whole wheat bread, orange wedge, snack cake.

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Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, January 7
Francis Woods, 48, of 250 Spring Circle in Winchendon, was arrested at 95 Main Street and was charged with assault and battery.

Tuesday, January 8
8:55 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Beech Street and Shawsheen Street.

8:58 a.m. A vehicle parked in the vicinity 1695 Andover Street was burglarized.

2:05 p.m. The front window of a residence on Astle Street was reportedly shot with a BB gun overnight.

2:29 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 333 Main Street.

2:36 p.m. A report was made of an assault and battery that allegedly took place earlier in the day at a bus stop on Kneeland Drive.

3:39 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 300 Chandler Street.

Meredith Mackay, 21, of 40 Pinehurst Avenue in Methuen, was arrested at 361 Main Street and was charged with being present where heroin was kept.

Hector Lowj Roldan, 21, of 200 Salem Street in Lowell, was arrested at 361 Main Street and was charged with distributing a Class A drug and possessing a Class D drug.

Wednesday, January 9
8:16 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1975 Main Street.

8:50 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Whipple Road and Marston Street.

Thursday, January 10
11:21 p.m. Police responded to the Wynn Middle School at 1 Griffin Way to deal with a juvenile issue.

1:32 p.m. Police responded to Tewksbury Memorial High School at 320 Pleasant Street to remove an unwanted person who is not a student, but who was walking in the high school for more than an hour.

4:00 p.m. Several threatening notes were found left on vehicles of students parked at Tewksbury Memorial High

School, located at 320 Pleasant Street.

5:13 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Shawsheen Street.

8:03 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Lakeview Street.

10:33 p.m. A motor vehicle stop on Shawsheen Street resulted in the arrest of Apryle L. McKenzie, 43, of 16 County Road in Tewksbury. She was arrested on Shawsheen Street and was charged with operating an uninsured motor vehicle, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, and possessing a Class B drug.

Friday, January 11
12:58 a.m. A resident reported someone burglarizing a vehicle in a driveway on Wightman Road. John J. Zengilowski, 26, of 22 Cunningham Street in Wilmington, was arrested at the scene and was charged with breaking and entering a vehicle during nighttime hours for the purpose of committing a felony and larceny of property valued at less than \$250.

10:54 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 318 Main Street.

11:11 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 96 Trull Road.

11:30 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1451 Whipple Road.

Bernard Kelly, III, 25, of 14 Rocky Hill Road in Burlington

was arrested at 1860 Main Street and was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon and assault and battery.

Christine M. Schmal, 26, of 9 West Running Brook in Billerica, was arrested at 1860 Main Street and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

Saturday, January 12
9:21 a.m. A walk-in reported that someone took gifts and medicines from her Old Boston Road residence.

4:05 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 85 Main Street.

4:58 p.m. A 911 caller reported a suspicious male in the vicinity of the intersection of Heath Street and Whipple Street. The male matched the description of a suspect from another incident, but he was gone before police arrived.

Sunday, January 13
3:16 a.m. A Tewksbury police officer working a detail at the Motel Six, located at 95 Main Street, reported an incidence of "window smashing" at the motel. As a result, two arrests were made. Christopher Guarino, 22, of 4 Myrtle Street in Billerica, and Kevin Lynch, 21, of 20 Pond Lane in Billerica, were both arrested with the assistance of Billerica Police and were charged with wanton destruction of property valued more than \$250, larceny over \$250, and breaking and entering vehicle/boat at nighttime for a felony.

Winter meeting of the Middlesex Canal Association

On Saturday, January 26 at 2:30 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Middlesex Canal Association at the Middlesex Canal Museum and Visitor Center in the Faulkner Mill, 71 Faulkner Street in North Billerica.

Have you ever wanted to take a canal boat trip in England along one of their charming waterways? Their President, Nolan Jones, did just that this past summer on the Warwickshire Canal Ring in SW

England. This included Stratford, Coventry and Birmingham. They also visited the Falkirk Wheel in Scotland - this huge wheel is the only rotating boat lift in the world. Join them to hear the tales of his journey.

Their Museum is handicapped accessible. This interesting program will be followed by refreshments. For information: please call 978-670-2740 or 603-672-7051.



Wilmington Police Log

Monday, January 7
9:33 a.m. A snowblower was stolen from Wilmington Health Care on Woburn Street over the weekend.

10:03 a.m. Several vehicles parked at a residence on Avalon Drive were keyed maliciously.

6:09 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident (MVA) occurred at the intersection of Church Street and Main Street.

7:21 p.m. A MVA occurred on Lowell Street.

9:13 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Agostino Drive.

David A. Stewart, 25, of 413 Main Street in Haverhill, was stopped by police on Interstate 93 and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license and operating a motor vehicle with a revoked registration.

Tuesday, January 8
5:41 a.m. Police responded to Denault Drive after a neighbor reported hearing running water in an unoccupied residence. A broken water pipe in the basement was the cause and power and water were shut off. Police attempted to locate building owner.

6:51 a.m. Police responded to a second residence on Denault Drive at which a pipe had burst and flooded the basement. Power and water were shut off and the owner was notified.

8:09 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on New Hampshire Road.

1:55 p.m. An unlocked vehicle parked at a residence on Linda Road was burglarized.

9:30 p.m. An assault and battery reportedly occurred on Swain Road.

Wednesday, January 9
6:45 a.m. An unlocked vehicle parked at a residence on Russell Road was burglarized.

6:57 a.m. A motor vehicle parked at a residence on Avon Street was stolen overnight.

8:26 a.m. A MVA occurred on Ballardvale Street.

9:01 a.m. Lighting Retrofit Systems, located on Ballardvale Street, was burglarized.

9:35 a.m. A MVA occurred on Ballardvale Street.

10:48 a.m. A MVA occurred at the intersection of Woburn Street and Concord Street.

11:06 a.m. A MVA occurred on Main Street.

11:32 a.m. An assault and battery reportedly occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Church Street.

3:59 p.m. A MVA occurred on Church Street.

5:42 p.m. A vehicle parked at a business on Industrial Way was burglarized.

6:09 p.m. Police responded to Butters Row for a report of a vehicle having been shot at by a BB gunshot.

7:28 p.m. A vehicle parked at a business on Fordham Road was burglarized.

7:36 p.m. Police responded to Ledgewood Road for a report of a stolen street sign. Two other street signs were also found to be missing.

Police provided 14 courtesy car seats installations throughout the day.

Thursday, January 10
8:29 a.m. A vehicle parked at a residence on Avalon Drive was keyed maliciously overnight.

Dean Sughrue, 26, of 28 Hyatt Avenue in Haverhill, was stopped by police on Andover Street and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license, a red light violation, and operating a motor vehicle without having its registration in his possession.

Friday, January 11
1:17 a.m. A man reportedly exited his vehicle at a traffic light on Lowell Street and threatened a female. The suspect's vehicle had left the scene prior to the arrival of police.

8:00 a.m. Wilmington's K-9 unit was dispatched to Malden to assist with a drug search.

1:02 p.m. A vehicle parked at a business on Jonspin Road was burglarized.

4:19 p.m. A vehicle parked at a business on Industrial Way was burglarized.

7:26 p.m. A MVA occurred at the intersection of Grove Avenue and Main Street.

John J. Zengilowski, 26, of 22 Cunningham Street in Wilmington, was arrested on

Wightman Road and was charged with breaking and entering a vehicle/boat during nighttime hours for the purpose of committing a felony and larceny of property valued at less than \$250.

Saturday, January 12
8:05 a.m. An unlocked vehicle parked at a residence on Longview Road was burglarized.

8:57 a.m. A second unlocked vehicle parked at a residence on Longview Road was burglarized.

10:48 a.m. Five vehicles parked at residences on Linda Road were burglarized overnight.

11:23 a.m. Four unlocked vehicles on Pine Ridge Road were burglarized.

1:20 p.m. A North Street resident was notified by Methuen Police that her credit cards had been fraudulently used in Methuen and that a suspect was in custody for the crime. Those credit cards had been stolen from her unlocked vehicle at some point during the previous evening.

1:43 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Forest Street.

3:48 p.m. A MVA on Nichols Street resulted in one summons issued when the driver fled the scene of the truck vs. pole accident. Ronald J. Hannon, 50, of 45 Heath Street in Tewksbury, was issued a summons for leaving the scene of an accident involving property damage.

Sunday, January 13
2:46 a.m. A MVA occurred at the intersection of Main Street and Clark Street.

4:43 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Winston Avenue.

9:57 a.m. A MVA occurred on Dorchester Street.

1:41 p.m. A MVA occurred on Main Street.

9:14 p.m. Wilmington's K-9 unit was dispatched to Stoneham to assist in searching for a suspect who had fled on foot.

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Kelley Wilcox, Katie Kurowski, Bea Banda and Kristin Esdale attended the National Young Leaders State Conference.

Middle School teens attend National Young Leaders State Conference

WILMINGTON - Four local Wilmington Middle School Students were among 200 scholars from New England in attendance at a unique leadership development program held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Cambridge from Dec. 13-16. Themed Courageous Leadership, the National Young Leaders State Conference (NYLSC) helps young scholars take an introspective and highly-personalized assessment of their leadership skills and abilities.

Bea Banda, Kristin Esdale, Katie Kurowski, and Kelley Wilcox, all eighth graders at Wilmington Middle School, were nominated to represent Wilmington at this unique leadership program for exceptional young leaders by Language Arts Teacher Ms. Kristin Smith. The nomination was in recognition of their scholastic merit, maturity, responsibility, strength of character, leadership and the ability to benefit from this unique program. They enjoyed the seminars and took home great memories, new friendships, and tools to become strong leaders.

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Mayhem, a Pembroke Coggie owned by Rich MacDonald got a rabies shot on Saturday during Dr. Kim's rabies clinic in Tewksbury. Dr. Kim has been doing this clinic for Tewksbury residents since 1977.
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Power plant information session

TEWKSBURY - An informational meeting on the power plant proposed for construction in Billerica will be held on Saturday, January 26 at 1:00 p.m. at Tewksbury Public Library.

A group of concerned Tewksbury citizens will be presenting information for Tewksbury Seniors about the health, environmental and

safety impacts of the proposed power plant in North Billerica, right off Woburn Street, on the Tewksbury line. This session is open to all.

If you didn't get a chance to attend the presentation in December, please feel free to attend January's. This will be an updated session. If you would like to show your support and concern, please attend.

Representative Jim Miceli plans to be in attendance. Other local officials are being invited to learn more and to hear concerns of residents.

As always, announcements will be posted on the Billerica Watchers Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BillericaWatchers> and on Tewksbury Issues at www.TewksburyIssues.org.

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Jerry Lawrenson and Michael Murphy were escorted to the podium by Steve Pitcher of American Legion Post 19 Somerville where Jerry was given the Heroism Award for saving Michael's life last year when he fell from the ladder of a swimming pool and stopped breathing. The American Legion also gave Michael gifts.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux -www.shootingstarspix.com)

Town's bond rating downgraded

FROM PAGE 1

towns in the area are struggling to balance their budgets through layoffs, budget cuts, and user fees.

Regardless, Standard & Poor's points to Wilmington's reliance on its operating reserves, often referred to as 'free cash', to balance its budget over the last several years. "The deficits in recent years were attributed to an intentional use of reserves to maintain services and pay-as-you-go capital financing," read the report from Standard & Poor's.

Wilmington officials did not apologize for their use of reserves over the last several years. During the economic boom of the mid and late 1990's the town purposely built up reserves as much as possible in preparation for fiscally difficult times. Few towns in the

Commonwealth were as prepared for this "rainy day" as was Wilmington.

The town's operating reserves peaked at just over \$11 million prior to the recession that began in 2001. Since then, as State was cut aid, the town has dipped into its reserves.

As of today the town still has a certified operating reserve of \$3 million, though town officials believe the actual figure to be closer to \$4 million.

"If I had to do it all over again, I wouldn't have done it any differently," Town Manager Michael Caira told selectmen on Monday evening. "I would not be willing to sacrifice education and public safety just to maintain an artificially high surplus and credit rating."

Board of Selectmen Chairman Michael Newhouse agreed. "At the risk of over simplifying, I'm okay with this since we

used the free cash to maintain services," Newhouse said. "It's still better than having to cut services, and we're not in dire circumstances."

Caira reminded selectmen that, not only, is the town not dipping into free cash for the fiscal year 2009 (FY09) budget, it is now in a position to start re-building the operating reserve funds.

Standard & Poor's acknowledged that the town is not intending to use any reserves for the FY09 budget, and that a surplus is anticipated from the FY07 budget and is estimated from the FY08 budget.

In addition, Standard & Poor's found the town's financial policies and practices to be 'standard' under its financial management assessment, "indicating that the finance department maintains adequate policies in some, but not all, key areas."

Should Planning Board members be elected?

FROM PAGE 1

not believe that Middlesex Avenue in North Wilmington was a suitable location and was upset that the Planning Board did not request a traffic study of the area. The Planning Board defended their position, indicating that the Registry fell within the zoning of the property and, therefore, the Planning Board had no authority to bar it from occupying the space.

"If a member of the Board of Selectmen does a bad job, he is not reelected," McCoy said. "If a Planning Board member makes a bad decision, and I've seen it happen time and again, they continue to serve."

Would Planning Board members be less likely to make unpopular decisions that they feel are in the best interest of the entire community if they faced elections? Would they be

more likely to base their decisions on securing votes? McCoy doesn't think so.

"There are times that I make unpopular votes that people are not happy with, but I'm more accountable to the general public," McCoy said. "I've made unpopular votes and still been reelected."

Several neighboring communities, including Tewksbury, have publicly elected planning boards.

McCoy envisions his proposed referendum question as reading, "Should Planning Board members no longer be appointed by the town manager, but instead be elected by the general public?"

McCoy broached the subject during the "new business" portion of the Board of Selectmen's meeting agenda on Monday evening. Chairman of

the Board of Selectmen Michael Newhouse suggested creating an agenda item for the matter to be discussed at the next selectmen meeting.

"I've looked at this issue before, but I'm not sure that everyone on the Board is familiar with the issues," Newhouse said.

Newhouse stated after the meeting that this is the type of issue that many people are likely to want to speak on.

"In general, I have no problem with referendum questions, but the devil can be in the details," Newhouse said. "In this case a charter change would require both a town meeting vote and a ballot question, so we ought to talk about that."

McCoy agrees that the issue should appear as an agenda item, and should be debated.

"I don't know why a member of the Board of Selectmen would vote against it," McCoy said. "The Planning Board brings measures to town that change our community, it has a stranglehold on this community and it should be policed by the general public. Let the people vote, let the people decide."

Newhouse is not in favor of an elected Planning Board, but he

would not stand in the way of a public debate on the issue.

"I do oppose an elected Planning Board," Newhouse said. "I have opposed the idea in the past, and I've not heard a compelling argument in favor of it. It replaces valuable well qualified, well meaning volunteers with politicians. But I have every intention of reaching out to Selectman McCoy to discuss adding his proposal as an agenda item for the next meeting."

Town Manager Michael Caira believes the current system is working well.

"I think the system of appointments works for Wilmington, but certainly Selectman McCoy is entitled to bring this matter forward for public discussion," Caira said. "It is never inappropriate to discuss various ideas related to the operation of town government."

This matter, according to McCoy, is just the latest example of how well the current Board of Selectmen works as a team.

"We may not all agree on everything, but we're able to work together and we're getting the people's work done," McCoy said.

Selectmen incumbents challenged

FROM PAGE 1

Selectmen.

Woltag, a 9-year Wilmington resident with two young children, is interested in giving back to his adopted community.

"We've always attended the Fourth of July activities, the Annual Tree Lighting, and all of the parades," Woltag said. "I've been a recipient of these services, now I want to be a contributor."

Woltag, an IT manager for Partners Health Care, has contemplated the jump into local politics for several months.

"I think there is some low hanging fruit out there that the town has not taken advantage of," Woltag said. "Some of our public officials have served for many years. Maybe it is time for fresh blood, new ideas, and a new way of looking at things."

If successful, Woltag intends to improve the two-way communication between the Board of Selectmen and the residents. He will propose that a suggestion box be placed in Town Hall for residents to offer suggestions, and will advocate for a renovation of the town's website.

"A website is not the most important thing, but it is a front door to the community for potential businesses and homeowners," Woltag said.

Woltag sets his sites on environmental issues as well.

"This town has had a couple of black eyes, environmentally speaking," Woltag said. "I want to turn that around."

Selectman Michael McCoy has not only pulled nomination papers, he has already returned them with far in excess of the requisite number of signatures.

McCoy began his political career with three years on the Planning Board, and has served on the Board of Selectmen for 18 years. His focus, McCoy said, will continue to be what it has always been: working hard on behalf of the constituents.

"You have to be responsible to the constituents," McCoy said.

McCoy believes that Wilmington's town government is running smoothly, and is proud of his role in the process.

"We're fortunate, compared to a lot of other communities in the Merrimack Valley," McCoy said. "Many other communities have instituted user fees for various town services. We have

not had to do that and we still have one of the lowest residential tax rates in the area."

McCoy has always considered himself fiscally conservative.

"I look at how I spend the people's money like I'm spending my own money," McCoy said. "I've worked hard and I hope the voters will return me to the Board."

Ray Lepore is looking to win a third term on the Board of Selectmen.

"I've proven myself, especially during the two consecutive years that I served as Chairman of the Board," Lepore said. "I worked hard to bring civility back to the Board, and I was successful."

The Board was split pretty evenly between two political factions leading up to Lepore's appointment as Chairman with meetings often running deep into the night to accommodate debate and - more than occasionally - shouting matches between Board members.

"I gave voice to both sides, but kept discussions focused and on topic," Lepore said. "Working with the two senior selectmen on the Board, Michael McCoy and Michael Newhouse, has been very helpful."

Lepore points out that his was the swing vote in a number of issues important to the town's wellbeing, not the least of which was his vote to bring Massachusetts Water Resources Association (MWRA) water to town.

"Wilmington has had 60 percent of its wells shut down due to contamination, and no one knows when - or if - those contaminated wells will ever be safe," Lepore said. "MWRA water brings enough safe water to town without having to depend on our neighbors' water."

Lepore believes that the town is in good shape and looks forward to continuing to work on its behalf.

"We've got the best-plowed roads, we're working toward environmental improvements without hefty costs to the town; basically we're running on all cylinders," Lepore said. "I hope the residents see all that we've done in recent years and vote me back in. Change, just for the sake of change, is not necessary in this race."

The selectmen race is not the only race on the ballot. The School Committee has two seats up for grabs this year, and at least one of those spots is guaranteed to be reserved for a newcomer. Veteran School Committee member Barbara Breakey will not be seeking reelection.

Breakey first joined the School Committee in 1995 and, with the exception of a two-year hiatus, has served since.

"We've accomplished a lot, and now it is time to give a new person a chance," Breakey said.

Breakey hopes that a parent will step forward and enter the

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Mikey cheats death

Jerry Lawrenson saves the life of Mikey Murphy

(editor's note: this story originally appeared in the June 13, 2007 edition of the Wilmington Town Crier)

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Mikey Murphy wouldn't be here today if not for Jerry Lawrenson.

It was just another Friday afternoon, swimming in the Lawrenson's pool, until the accident that nearly ended Mikey's life.

Jerry poked his head out the back door to talk to his wife just in time to see Mikey fall backwards off of the poolside ladder. Mikey, age 10, went straight down and landed directly on his head in the foot bucket, without making any observable attempt to break his fall. His neck twisted violently and he lay in an unnatural position on the ground.

Jerry ran to him and found that his eyes had rolled back in his head and that he was not breathing.

"Honest to God, I thought he was dead," Jerry said.

That was when Jerry's CPR training kicked in. Though he has not been active for the last couple of years, Jerry has served as a reserve officer for the Wilmington Police Department and has received yearly trainings in lifesaving techniques through the department.

"It's the same course that the Department offers free of charge to the residents," Jerry said.

Assuming that a spinal injury must be present, Jerry made sure to keep Mikey's body as still as possible while administering six or eight "rescue breaths."

Mikey still wasn't breathing. Jerry gave him one more rescue breath and Mikey's eyes popped open, he let out a scream, and began thrashing. As jarring as the scream may have been, it was music to Jerry's ears.

"Those are great signs," Jerry said. "If he is screaming, he is breathing. If he's thrashing, then he can feel his arms and legs."

Beth Lawrenson had dialed 911 and emergency crews were on their way to the Lawrenson's Dexter Avenue home. According to Jerry, emergency crews arrived on scene within two-and-a-half minutes of the call.

Meanwhile, Cindy Murphy was in her home listening to the sounds of sirens approaching the neighborhood. Call it mother's intuition, but she sensed that they had something to do with her. Regardless, she dismissed the feeling until she heard the frantic pounding on her front door.

"Mikey fell, Mikey fell!" she was told.

She began following the messenger toward the Lawrenson house until he spoke again.

"He twisted his neck, and Jerry is doing CPR."

She can't remember her exact reaction to that information. She thinks that she fell to her knees, she may have passed out momentarily. She believed that her son was dead.

"I've been a mother for 21 years, but there is no way to prepare for a moment like that," Cindy said.

By the time she crossed the yards and got to the Lawrenson's house, there were EMT's everywhere. She heard them saying repeatedly that if Jerry had not been there administering life saving techniques immediately, Mikey would have died - no doubt about it.

Cindy saw her son - he was wearing a full neck brace and lying on what looked like a surfboard. He was asking for her, but since the neck brace was preventing him from turning his head, he couldn't see his mother beside him. Cindy moved up close and leaned her head directly over his in order for her son to see her.

Mikey was rushed by ambulance to Winchester Hospital. They performed an EKG, X-rays of his head and neck, and a CAT scan of his brain. Mikey checked out fine, with the exception of a couple of stitches to his leg, which must have caught on something sharp during his fall from the ladder.

Still, if Jerry hadn't got him breathing, the trip to the hospital would have been fruitless.

Mikey doesn't remember all that much about the accident.

"I remember we were swimming, and then there was a bee following us, and then I fell off the ladder and twisted my neck and got CPR," Mikey said. "I'm very glad Jerry was there."

Cindy will be taking Mikey

for follow-up visits to his pediatrician.

The Murphy's moved to Wilmington just two years ago, and they don't plan on going anywhere.

"This is the best place we've ever lived," Cindy said. "My kids had made friends in the neighborhood within an hour of moving in. This is just like the neighborhood I grew up in - there are lots of kids everywhere. We love the town of Wilmington."

Cindy and her family were big fans of Jerry prior to the accident (Jerry is the coach of Mikey's baseball team), but his status has now been raised to hero in the Murphy household.

Jerry, a lifelong Wilmington resident, had always wondered if he would be able to remember and accurately use

his training in the face of an emergency.

"When Mikey was on the ground at my house, I wasn't wearing a Superman costume, there was plenty of panic on my end," Jerry said. "Anyone in that situation, with the training I've had, would have done the same thing."

Jerry recommends that anyone with a pool - or anyone with kids for that matter - take advantage of the CPR classes offered by the Wilmington Police Department.

"The fact that I can look out my window and see him walking around - that's the best feeling," Jerry said. "He's like one of my own kids, he's at my house more than I am."



Town welcomes new Fire Chief

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to Lieutenant in 1983. Bradbury has served as Deputy Fire Chief for eleven years.

"Deputy Bradbury has overseen a myriad of administrative and operational responsibilities during his tenure as Deputy Chief and Lieutenant," said Cairra, who credited Bradbury with being instrumental in developing the department's first comprehensive fire service training program and acting as the Department's Chief Arson Investigator, following 14 years as a shift commander.

"The job is constantly evolving, it doesn't even resemble the job I started here in the 70's," says Bradbury.

The advent of hazardous materials training, fire department based advanced life support, and new technologies keep the department on its toes. This year a new training officer joined the 37-person department to coordinate required federal, state, and local training. Like most other fire departments across the Commonwealth, Wilmington

responds to more EMS calls than fire related calls. And every year the volume of those calls increase.

"In general the fire services face the same issues as everyone else; how to do more with less," said Bradbury, offering credit to "the professionalism and dedication of the firefighters here, because without them it doesn't work."

Bradbury graduated from Wilmington High School in 1972 and his parents, Edward and Myrtle Bradbury, are longtime Wilmington residents.

Bradbury lives with his family in Merrimac, Massachusetts.

"The Town has been fortunate to have had outstanding leadership at the Fire Department. I am more than confident that the new fire chief will continue the department's path of progress that has been well established by his predecessors," wrote Cairra. "I welcome Ed Bradbury to the town's senior leadership team and I look forward to his successful tenure as Chief of the Wilmington Fire Department."



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Chlorine vs. Chloramine

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"We made the change to chloraminated water for several reasons," explained Michael Woods, Wilmington's Water and Sewer Superintendent.

"Chlorine is old technology and has some drawbacks to using it. It dissipates over time so the further it gets away from the treatment plant, the more of a challenge it becomes to keep it in the water source."

Chloraminated water is much more stable and is not known to dissipate from the water before reaching consumers. Woods also indicated that the taste and smell of chlorinated water were also factors considered when making the switch.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) require municipalities to have a disinfectant in the water. However, when a disinfectant is combined with organic matter or other chemicals in the water, disinfection byproducts are formed.

One such byproduct is trihalomethanes (THMs), a potential carcinogen. THM is a byproduct formed when organic matter in the water combines with chlorine. Although THMs are also formed when combined with chloramine, the levels are much lower.

"Previously we were at the (THMs) level of 100 parts per billion which is within the EPA guideline, but right on the edge," said Woods. "We knew that in 2008 the EPA was going to require municipalities to drop that level down to 80 parts per billion. Making the change to chloramines significantly dropped that number down and we are in compliance with the new EPA guidelines."

In addition to the town's own

water supply, Wilmington also purchases water from Burlington and the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA).

"Both Burlington and all 40 communities that the MWRA serves use chloraminated water," said Woods. "It's easier to purchase when everyone has the same compatible water. Most large municipalities in the country use chloraminated water."

The Water Department issued a brochure to residents last year advising of the upcoming change. There has been no negative feedback on the switch other than a concerned resident reporting the death of a pet fish. The Water Department brochure discussed that chloraminated water should not be used in aquariums and fishponds, because it is toxic to fish and reptiles.

However, some citizen groups, such as the San Francisco-based Citizens Concerned About Chloramine (CCAC) and the Vermont People Concerned About Chloramine (PACC), are concerned about potential health risks.

The CCAC website (www.chloramine.org) states that chloramine cannot kill pathogens in the waters as well as chlorine. Therefore, it contends, people with suppressed immune systems must boil water for over 10 minutes to kill pathogens. The group also claims that chloramine can cause other health-related problems and that the EPA should conduct further testing to assess potential health risks associated with chloramine.

Woods feels confident that chloramine is a safe option.

"There's been a little bit of press about municipalities

switching over to chloramine," said Woods. "I heard of a citizen's group attending a hearing in Vermont, but ultimately they went with the chloraminated water. There are copious amounts of information out there on the internet and in libraries. I feel that chloraminated water is far better and safer than the chlorinated alternative."

Woods concluded, "As always, we want our residents to know that our water is safe. My family drinks it five days a week. We test it more than bottled water (is tested) and we meet all EPA and DEP regulations for quality."

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Girls Basketball team riding four game streak

Wildcats scoring and winning at will

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

After starting the season out on the wrong foot, the Wilmington High School girls' basketball team has quickly turned around the tough 0-2 start into winning seven of its last nine games including four in a row. The reigning Division 3 North sectional runner-up, fresh off its best season in program history last March, really struggled early on with new faces, inexperience and youth, the lack of team chemistry, several injuries and many turnovers leading to many frowns and shakes of the head.

But this past week it was back to smiles after Wilmington knocked off Methuen, North Reading and Amesbury. On Tuesday night in front of the home crowd it was back to making smart passes, good alert heads up passes, while dominating on the boards, playing strong defense and playing together as a team. All of that helped the Wildcats walk all over Amesbury, 58-41, putting the team's record to 7-4 overall, and more importantly needing just three more wins to qualify for the state tournament for the third straight year under head coach Jay Keane.

"We're starting to play well," said Keane. "We're starting to run the offense really well and just getting comfortable with each other. And that was our problem early on. I think this has been a work in progress. Now that we're half way through the season, I think we have been playing much better."

Senior co-captain Alyssa Brown led the way with 17 points and 10 rebounds, while, sophomore Amy Fahey continued her torrid stretch with 13 points and 10 rebounds giving her seven straight games with a double-double. Senior co-captain Stephanie Sauve added 9 points, while sophomore Jessica Stuki came off the bench and delivered eight points.

A big reason for the turnaround was getting four players back from pre-season injuries.

Another reason was the major cut down in turnovers and efficiently running the team's half court offense. However, Keane made a change putting Sauve back at the point guard position, and combining Kristen Browne and Stuki into one starter's spot which has worked out extremely well.

"Having Jess come off the bench is great because she is such a spark plug," said Keane. "Having her and Kristen Browne platooning is nice to have. They have both done nice jobs."

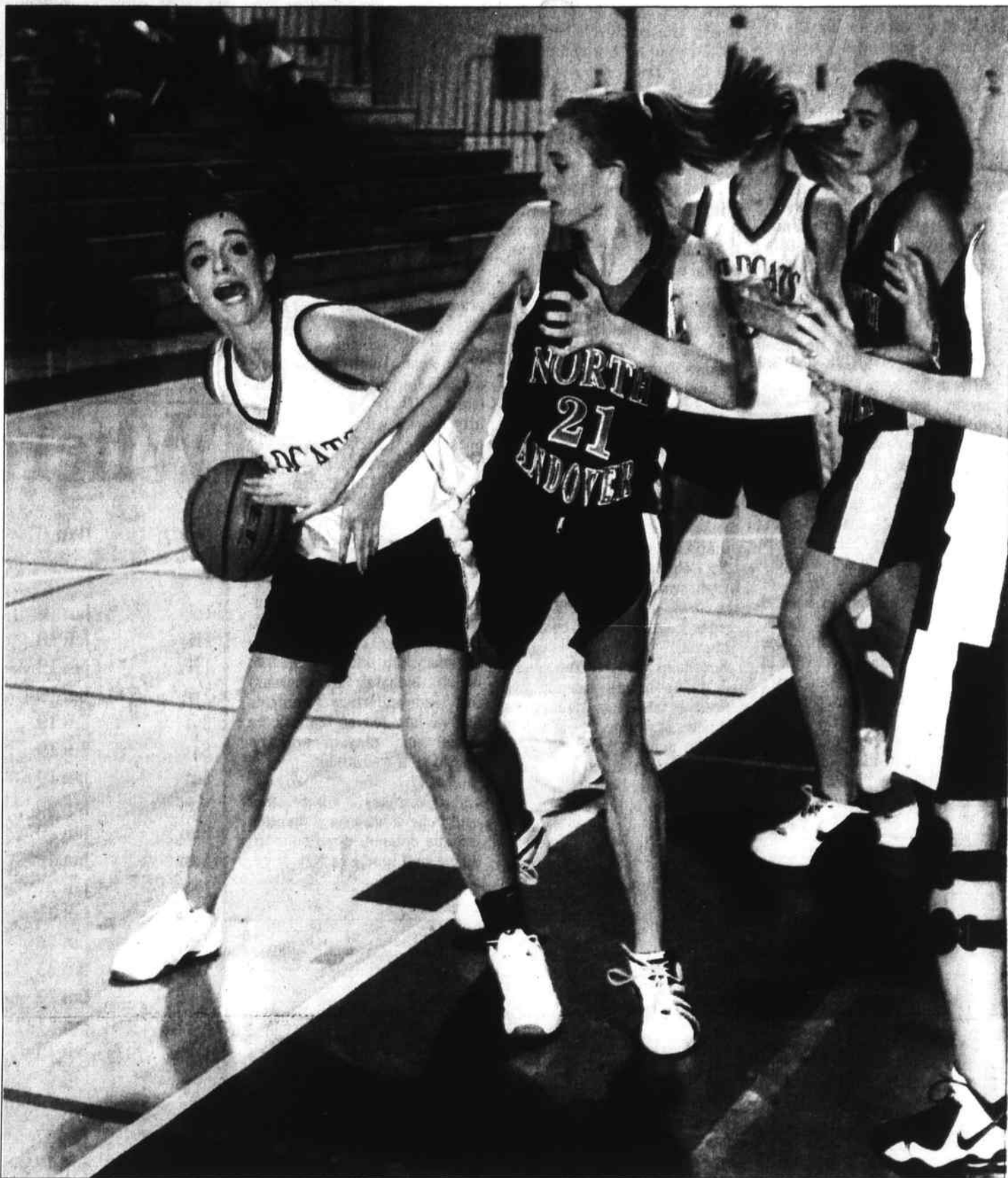
Wilmington had just a two-point lead with under two minutes to go in the first quarter, before closing out the first quarter on a 4-0 run, and starting the second quarter on a 9-2 run, led by Brown's three-pointer and four free throws, and ending with Sauve making a great pass inside to Lauren Hitchins, who polished off the play with a shot from the paint making it a 24-11 lead.

Amesbury (2-5) closed the margin down to nine points with 1:44 to go in the second quarter, but Wilmington put the exclamation point down, closing the first half on a 10-0 run as Stuki and Alyssa Brown connected for three-point shots making it 37-19 at the halftime break.

Amesbury connected on a few shots to start the third quarter, before Wilmington kicked it back into gear. Fahey struck for a jump shot and two free throws to help the Wildcats take a 50-27 lead after three quarters. Hitchins scored two free throws to begin the fourth quarter, and slowly over the next few minutes each of the starters came out.

On Friday night, Sauve had a game high 23 points with 10 rebounds and 5 assists as Wilmington trounced North Reading, 61-47. Alyssa Brown added 12 points and 4 assists, while, Fahey had 11 points and 10 boards.

Then last Wednesday against Methuen, Alyssa Brown took a charge with 11 seconds left and her team up by a point which led the Wildcats to an exciting



Wilmington High sophomore Amy Fahey, has finished with a double-double in each of her last seven games, helping the Wildcats to a four-game winning streak and an overall record of 7-4. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

46-44 win over a very solid Methuen team out of the Merrimack Valley Conference. She ended up with seven points

behind Sauve and Fahey, who had 15 and 11 points, respectively. Stuki came off the bench and scored six points and

grabbed ten rebounds.

Wilmington is on the road for its next two games with Hamilton-Wenham on Friday

and Triton Regional on Monday before coming home on the 25th against Manchester-Essex.

Brown pumps in 17 points to lead the charge

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Last year Alyssa Brown was as steady and consistent as they come. Offensively she would score a few big buckets, the occasional three-pointer, the good jump shot and also grab a rebound and go up strong. She had her share of double-digit games. Defensively, she was arguably the team's best. She was all over the court, usually drew the best offensive player and just played all around solid, fundamental basketball helping the Wildcats finish with their best season in program history, including making it to the Division 3 North sectional final.

Over the first month of this season, Brown was struggling with that consistency. The team wasn't playing that well, with new faces in the starting line-up, and just the overall performance of the team wasn't quite there. But there was a good reason for her struggles offensively with her shot. After putting 17 points up on Tuesday night, she thinks she has found the solution to her problem.

"I've been a little off lately ... I don't know," she said, before the reporter asked her about a nagging injury. "Yeah my knee has been bothering me but it's an old injury. I think I was over rotating and just over compensating by jumping off the other foot a little bit more. So at practice I tried to straighten out my feet. I realized that when I shot, I was leaning towards the left to try to get the weight off of my left foot. So now we worked on straightening out my feet and tonight I felt like I did last year."

And that was evident on Tuesday night when the Wildcats defeated Amesbury, 58-41, making it four wins in a row, and putting the team's record to 7-4 overall, after starting out 0-2.

"She did play well. She's been logging a lot of minutes for us and she's a good leader for us," said head coach Jay Keane. "Alyssa always gives that 100 percent whether it's in practice or in games. Her shot is coming around as we have been working on it a little bit. Her knee has been bothering her so we just did some adjusting and tweaked her shot a little bit. I think now that she's been working on it at practice, now she's looking for a shot, instead of passing up an easy look."

That good consistent shot was in rare form in the second and third quarters on Tuesday night. After scoring just one free throw with 26 seconds left in the first quarter to help the Wildcats take a 15-9 lead, Brown shot out from the cannon to begin the second quarter scoring the team's first six points. She went 4-for-4 from the free throw line and followed that up with a three-pointer as part of Wilmington's 8-0 run, which put them up 24-11 with 4:35 to go in the first half.

"We're playing much better than before," said Brown. "We're not turning the ball over, and our half court offense has definitely improved. We have worked on that a lot in practice."

Brown closed out the second quarter draining another three-pointer to give the Wildcats a 37-16 halftime lead. She carried

that momentum into the third quarter adding six more points including two on a nice put back which made it a 21-point lead. She came out of the game for the final three minutes of the third quarter before playing another two to start the fourth before coming out for good. Yet she still led the team with 17 points, mostly coming in two quarters of play.

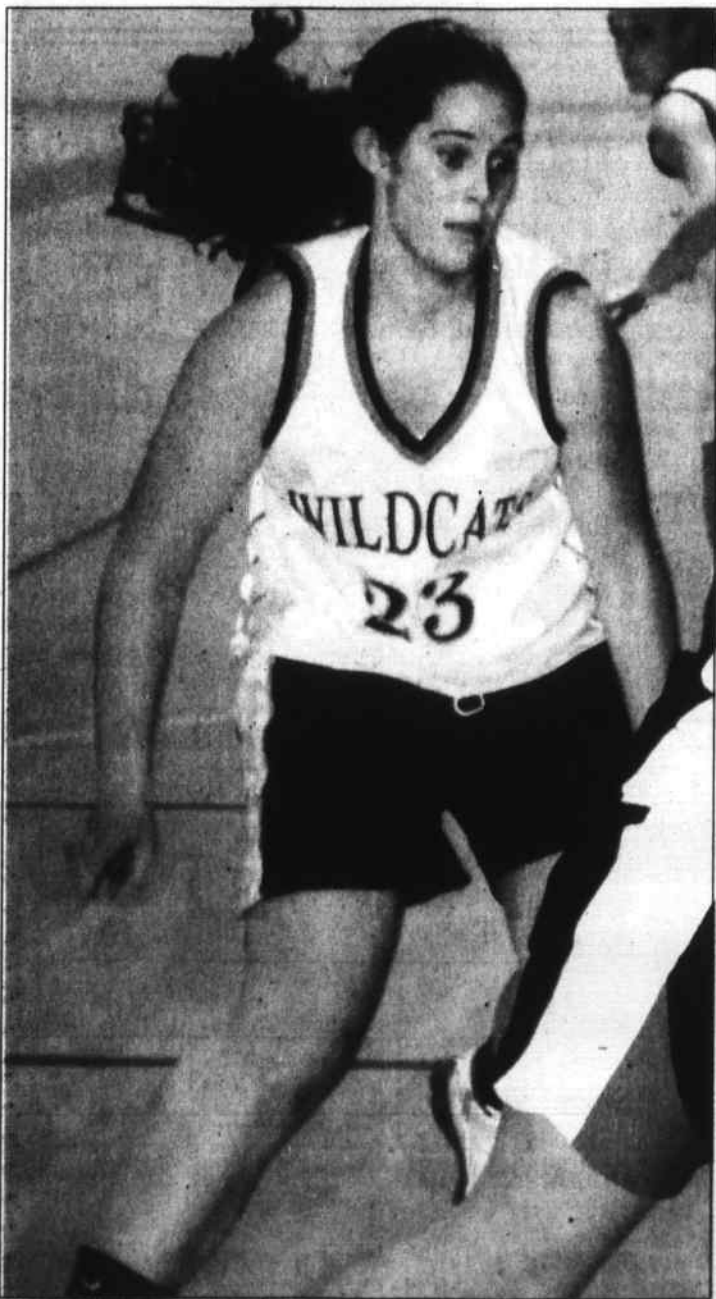
"Having her shot back and having her play like she can play will be important for us down the stretch," said Keane.

And down the stretch, the Wildcats need to continue to play like they have especially the past seven days, and not like the team did early on.

"We had pretty much an entire new line-up so I think (part of the early struggles) were getting used to each other, getting used to some new offenses that were put in and some new

defenses that were put in," said Brown. "We just had to get used to playing together and being together. I think the other part was the other team's had a little more experience than us especially a couple of those Division 1 teams that we played. So they were a little better than us."

"We're actually coming up to the hardest part of our schedule so it's going to be tough to keep this up. We still have to face Pentucket and Mascotomet who are two very good teams. We beat North Andover again, who beat us before and we have some other bigger opponents. But we just have to play together because that was the difference of the first few games of the season (when we struggled) to our last few games (when we have won four in a row). We have worked together and won together."



Wilmington High senior co-captain Alyssa Brown has helped the girls basketball team turn their season around. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

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Vitale nets ten points to lead Gulls to victory

Ashley Vitale had 10 points and five rebounds for the Endicott College women's basketball team in its 77-31 victory over Eastern Nazarene. Vitale, a freshman on the team, is Wilmington High School's only 1,000 point scorer.

Staying with basketball, UMass Lowell senior forward Mike Gore scored a career-high 14 points in a 62-59 loss to Pace University Saturday afternoon. The Wilmington resident and former Shawsheen Tech star led his team in scoring and went 7-10 from the field. Gore scored 8 points in his previous game, a 102-87 loss to Merrimack.

Turning to track-and-field, Sarah Bonomo finished in 32nd place in the mile at the 39th Dartmouth Relays on Saturday. The UMass Lowell freshman finished with a time of 5:43.57. Jenn Carr, also a freshman on the team, finished the 800 meters in 30th place with a time of 2:44.85.

Boston University junior co-captain Sarah Russell had an assist in her team's 3-1 women's hockey team's victory over Northeastern on Sunday. Russell, who played hockey at Tewksbury High and Cushing Academy, has three goals and two assists so far this year.

A number of local residents took part in the "Fudgcicle 5K Race Series" held on Saturday in Tewksbury. Jeff Haas of Tewksbury finished in second place with a time of 20:04. Mark Blaisdell of Wilmington finished in fifth place with a time of 20:31. Tewksbury's Mike Hurton ran a time of 21:40, placing him 10th. Jim Burns, also of Tewksbury, finished in 27th place with a time of 24:49. Bill Harriman ran a time of 26:22, which placed him 32nd.

On the women's side, Wilmington's Lisa Hodge finished in 11th place with a time of 25:31. Tewksbury resident Rita LaBella finished in 16th

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place with a time of 29:54. Joanne Harriman of Tewksbury ran a time of 31:44, which placed her 21st. Deb Lowry, also of Tewksbury, finished in 24th place with a time of 40:04.

The "Fudgcicle 5K Race Series" is an eight-part event with races beginning at Tewksbury High School. The third leg will be held this Saturday at 8 am. For more information, contact Glenn Stewart of the Lowell Road Runners at: president@glrr.net. Action photos from the previous season of Tewksbury Youth Football are now available. Parents should go to the following website for more information: <http://Petersaugustphotography.photorelect.com>.

Tewksbury Youth Baseball needs managers for the minor AAA and AA leagues. Those who are interested should go to the league's website and fill out an application and CORI form: <http://eteamz.active.com/tewksburybaseball/index.cfm>. Also, the draft for the junior and senior leagues will be held this Saturday.

Schedules for the Tewksbury Girls' Basketball League are currently posted on the league's website, including the schedule for the annual jamboree. For more information, go to: <http://www.tgbl.org/>.

The TGBL is hosting a dance on Monday at the Tewksbury Elks. Tickets are \$7 and will be sold at the TMHS gym this Saturday. Anyone interested in

chaperoning should contact Patti at: contact@tgbl.org. Picture day will be held on Saturday, Jan. 26th.

Tewksbury Boys Basketball is in the midst of their season. Schedules and league standings are posted on its website. That website is: <http://eteamz.active.com/tbbl/index.cfm>.

Registration for the spring 2008 season of Tewksbury Youth Soccer has begun. Parents can register online at the league's website: <http://www.tewksburyyouthsoccer.org/>.

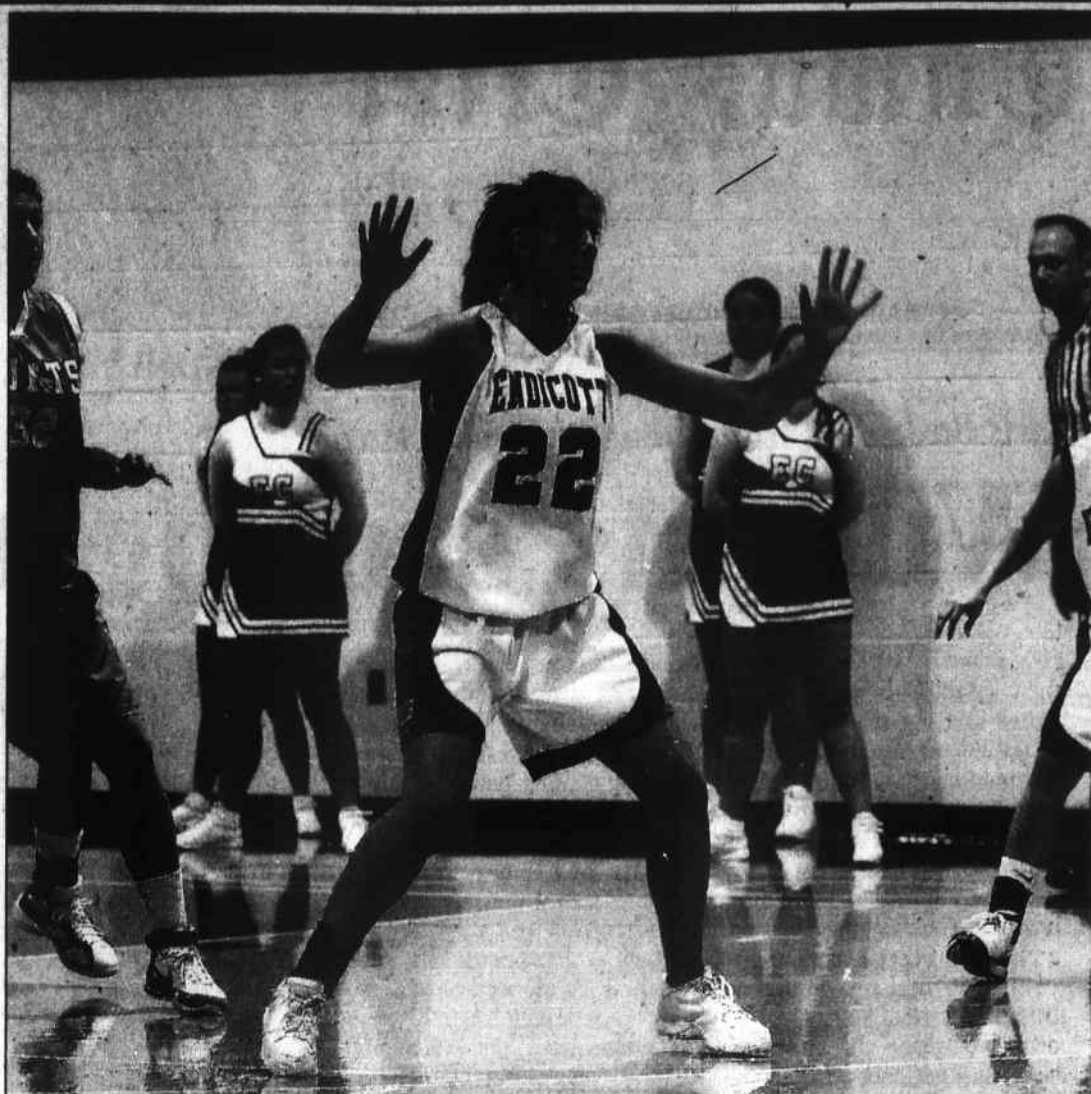
The Tewksbury Youth Skating Association is accepting coaching applications until January 26th. For more information, go to the league's website: <http://www.tysaredmen.com/>.

Registration for Tewksbury Youth Softball will be held this Saturday and next Saturday from 9am - 3pm at the TMHS gym lobby. Birth certificates are required for first-year players.

Game schedules for Wilmington Youth Hockey are available on the league's website. That website is: <http://www.wilmingtonyouthhockey.org/>. The league is hosting a comedy show this Saturday at the Knights of Columbus. Visit the league's website for more information.

Intown registration has begun for Wilmington Youth Soccer. Returning players can register online at: <http://www.wilmingtonyouthsoccer.org/>. Players who register before February 5th will pay on \$65, which includes membership fees and uniform. After this date a late fee of \$35 will be added and players will be placed on a waiting list.

If anyone has a tip or story you believe deserves mention for this column, e-mail me at: [digo@mail.umd.edu](mailto: digo@mail.umd.edu)



Wilmington resident Ashley Vitale has done very well for the Endicott College women's basketball team. (courtesy photo, Endicott College)

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Fri	Jan 18	B/G JV Track	at Ipswich	TBA
Fri	Jan 18	JV Boys Hockey	at Chelmsford	4:00 PM
Fri	Jan 18	JV/V Boys Hoop	vs Ham-Wenham	5/7:00 PM
Fri	Jan 18	JV/V Girls Hoop	at Ham-Wenham	5/6:30 PM
Sat	Jan 19	Girls V Hockey	at Martha's Vineyard	TBA
Sat	Jan 19	Wrestling	vs Pen/Win/Quabbin	11:00 AM
Sat	Jan 19	V Boys Hockey	vs Lynnfield	2:30 PM
Sun	Jan 20	V Girls Hockey	at Martha's Vineyard	TBA
Sun	Jan 20	Boys and Girls Track	Div 3 State Relays	9:30 AM
Sun	Jan 20	JV Boys Hockey	at North Andover	8:50 PM
Mon	Jan 21	Fr/JV/V Girls Hoop	at Triton	3/4:30/6 PM
Mon	Jan 21	Fr/JV/V Boys Hoop	vs Triton	4/5:30/7 PM
Tues	Jan 22	JV Boys Hockey	vs Pentucket	8:30 PM
Wed	Jan 23	JV Boys Hockey	vs North Andover	2:30 PM
Wed	Jan 23	Wrestling	vs Triton	6:30 PM
Wed	Jan 23	Boys and Girls Track	at Ham-Wenham	6:45 PM
Wed	Jan 23	Girls Hockey	vs Chelmsford	7:20 PM

Shawsheen Tech Sports				
Thurs	Jan 17	V Girls Hoop	vs Northeast	5:00 PM
Thurs	Jan 17	V Boys Hockey	vs Nashoba Tech	8:00 PM
Fri	Jan 18	V Boys Hoop	vs Northeast	4:45 PM
Sat	Jan 19	Wrestling	at Lowell Dual Meet	10:00 AM
Sat	Jan 19	V Boys Hockey	at Lynn Tech	7:40 PM
Mon	Jan 21	Wrestling	at St. John's Prep	11:00 AM
Mon	Jan 21	V Boys Hockey	vs Marblehead	TBA
Tues	Jan 22	V Boys Hoop	at Gr. Lowell	4:45 PM
Tues	Jan 22	V Girls Hoop	at Gr. Lowell	5:00 PM
Wed	Jan 23	V Co-Ed Swimming	at Gr. Lawrence	3:30 PM
Wed	Jan 23	V Girls Hoop	at Ursuline Academy	6:30 PM
Wed	Jan 23	Wrestling	vs Methuen	7:00 PM

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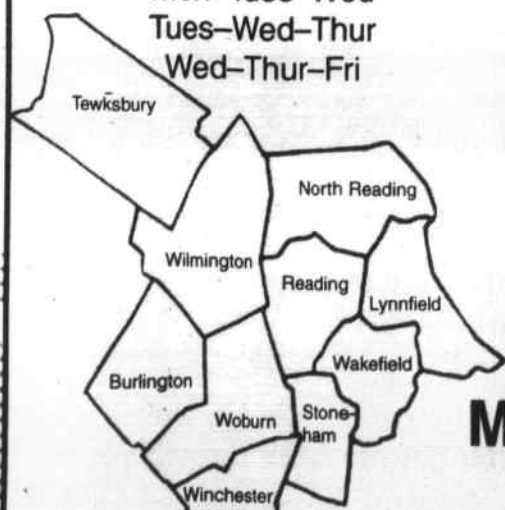
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Boys Track team celebrates huge victory

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Wilmington High boys winter track team has seen many of its members achieve personal bests this year in what has thus far been an outstanding season, and last Wednesday afternoon the Wildcats achieved a team milestone with a 48-38 defeat of Cape Ann League rival Masconomet.

It was the first ever win for the Wildcats over their CAL rivals and it helped continue their great season by improving their record to 5-1. Coach Bob Cripps was thrilled to see his team earn this win.

"It was our first time beating them so I was very pleased," Cripps said. "The kids were well aware that we had never beaten them and they came out and did a great job."

For the second meet in a row, the results of the meet hinged on the 4 x 400 relay and for the second meet in a row, that group came through with flying colors, blowing past their competition to seal the victory for the Wildcats.

Caleb Rogers, Jimmy DiNuccio, Bobby Folk and Tom Barry each ran their heat in under 57 seconds as the Wildcats dominated the race from start to finish.

"Caleb normally runs the 1,000 and I put him in the lead-off position for the relay and he just smoked people with a 56 second quarter," Cripps said. "Then DiNuccio, Folk and Barry did the same thing. I have never seen a relay team dominate as much as they did. They almost lapped Masco."

Along with the relay team the Wildcats also got several other strong performances, starting with senior Nick Jannone and freshman Marc Shilbilia in the 300. Jannone took first place in a time of 35.9, which qualified him for the state meet and Shilbilia finished a strong third in a time of 36.7.

"I was very happy for Jimmy. He is one of our captains and he does a super job as a captain so I was very pleased to see

him qualify," Cripps said. "Shilbilia did very well. He's got a very good future in front of him as long as stays serious and committed to it."

Senior Matt Figueiredo joined DiNuccio in qualifying for the state meet with a time of 5.66 in the 50 yard dash, earning a first place finish against Masco.

"Matt is in his first year of winter track and he is doing very well," Cripps said. "He is having a great season and it was nice to see him qualify."

The dash was not without its controversy as Kyle Lunt appeared to grab a third place finish for the Wildcats, but he was ruled to come in behind a runner from Masco.

"The official called the Masco kid third, but we have it on film that Kyle actually finished third," Cripps said.

In the 55 meter hurdles Tyler Calway finished first in a time of 7.03, coming very close to also qualifying for states, while Russell MacDonald gave the Wildcats a third place finish in a time of 7.72.

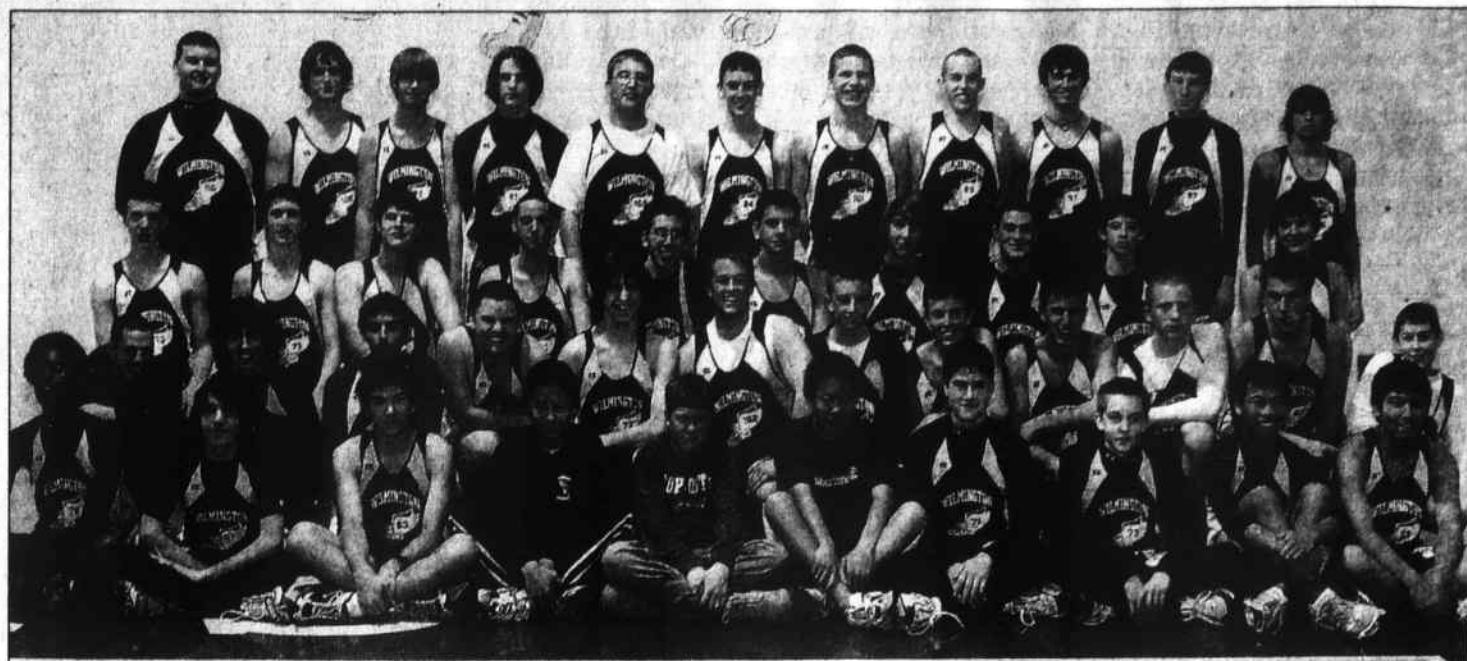
Senior Eddie Silva gave the Wildcats a point with a third place finish in the two mile in a time of 11:21.5.

Along with running a key leg in the clinching relay, Jimmy DiNuccio also had a great day in the 600, as the junior grabbed a first place finish in a time of 1:24.2 while senior Vinny Papageorgiou took third in a time of 1:27.3 despite having his pace thrown off by an opposing runner.

"Vinny did a great job considering the kid was bumping him all over the place," Cripps said. "Jimmy is one of the better 600 runners around. He has not qualified for states yet, but I feel like he can do that."

Bobby Folk also did a great job in both the relay as well as his individual event, taking a second place finish in the 1,000 meters in a time of 2:31.7, while sophomore Caleb Rogers also excelled in both events, taking a third place finish in the 1,000 in a time of 2:35.5.

"They have both done very



The Wilmington High School Boys Indoor Track team celebrated one of the program's biggest victories, defeating Masconomet this past week. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

well for us all year," Cripps said. "Along with the 300 and the 600, the 1,000 has been a very solid event for us."

Sophomore Kevin Flaherty finished second in the one mile, posting a great time of 4:56.7, his first sub 5:00 race in the small track conditions at Andover.

"Kevin was very pleased with that and he should be," Cripps said. "He ran a great race against some great competition and to take second place was very good."

The Wildcats were also very successful in their field events, with Jared Peters and Tony Nelson taking second and third, respectively, in the high jump, with each posting a height of 5'5, as both continued a consistent season in their first year in the event.

In an event that the Wildcats consistently dominated seniors Nate Clarkin and Nick Farnsworth took first and second place as they have all season long. Clarkin improved his seeding for the state meet, once again improving on his personal best with a distance of 48-3, while Farnsworth had a great throw of 43-3.

"Nate has a shot at winning the state class meet. There is one other kid who has thrown better, but Nate has been more consistent," Cripps said. "Farnsworth comes in second to him, but he is actually one of the best in the league."

Girls Track

The Wildcat girls track-and-field team were defeated by Masconomet, 54-32. The meet was pretty much even until Masco swept the 600 and the 1,000 meter runs to put the match away. Wilmington had three first place finishes, including Lizz Chin taking the 50-yard dash (6.47), Natalie Russo running very well in the two mile (12:23) and Stephanie Baima remained undefeated in the high jump clearing 5-foot-3.

Leach Potner was second in the 55-yard dash coming in at 6.57 seconds, while, Britney McLaughlin and Colleen Kennedy also finished with second places. McLaughlin came in at 42.5 seconds, her personal best time in the 300, and Kennedy also did a personal best coming in at 5:57 in the mile.

"Colleen has been terrific for us in this first year doing track," said coach Tom Bradley.

Jamie Pote contributed to this report.

Wilmington Youth Hockey names award after Al Reidy

The Board of Directors of Investment In Youth Foundation unanimously voted approval for a \$10,000 Albert F. Reidy, Jr. Award for the second consecutive year to Wilmington Youth Hockey.

Wilmington Youth Hockey, a 501 (c) (3) non profit corporation, once again qualified in all areas required in the award proposal.

Investment In Youth Foundation was formerly known as Wilmington Arena Authority Inc. and was the managing entity of Elinor M. Ristuccia Memorial Arena in Wilmington from November, 1986 through May, 2005. During those years, under the direction of Chairman Al Reidy, the Arena was highly respected as a well maintained and well run

provider of hockey and figure skating needs for youth ice sports programs.

Due to Al's passing in 2005, the WAA board separated from arena management and changed its title to Investment In Youth Foundation, using a phrase that was incorporated into its logo and which better exemplified its purpose of financial support for youth involvement in ice skating sports.

The board voted unanimously to name the awards in honor of Al for his devotion and commitment to the success of the arena and youth skating programs.

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McCune's team flying around with an 8-1 record

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Recently Wilmington High School boys basketball coach said that he wanted his team to match his intensity on a daily basis. That statement has apparently rubbed off on the 20-year veteran coach.

"I'm thrilled with the way the team is playing," he said Tuesday night after the team walked past Amesbury, 84-46, to improve to 8-1 on the season. "The practices have been great, the kids have been more vocal and they have that edge and that confidence which is nice. Their effort and attitude has carried me through this season. Their enthusiasm has helped me and that's been a nice break for me. It's fun watching it happen. The senior leadership has been tremendous. All five of those seniors have really come together and it's really nice to watch that."

On Tuesday night, the Wildcats won their fifth game in a row. Despite senior center Matt Bibeau beginning the game with two fouls in the first three minutes of the game, Wilmington jumped out to an incredible 23-2 lead, with Zack Fahey leading the way scoring 19 first quarter points and 26 in all.

"Zack is at the top of our press so he's the first guy we go to in transition," said McCune. "He's been tremendous for us all season. He's a great kid, and has displayed great senior leadership."

Craig Melillo was second on the team in scoring finishing with 14 points, making it five games in a row he finished in double figures.

"Zack is the guy who attacks the basket for us, Matt Bibeau is our inside guy and Craig is our perimeter guy," said McCune. "If we get all three working we are a very good team."

Along side Melillo in the team's backcourt is Mike Manganelli, who will probably never lead the team in scoring, but leads the team in overall toughness and grit.

"He's stepping into the role where he guards the opposing team's best player," said McCune of Manganelli. "He's just such a competitor. He's so tough out there and I love that."

McCune was able to go to his bench early in this game after taking a 70-30 lead entering the fourth quarter, and players such as Michael Murphy, Steve Stewart, Matt Derian, Scott Bonica, Kyle Moon and Evan Borsetti have really stepped up their play as of late. He said that's something the team really needs.

"Michael (Murphy) finished with nine points including three three-pointers," said McCune. "I just love what he brings to the table. He can shoot, he can drive, he's the ultimate passer and he plays strong defense. Stewart has been a sparkplug off the bench. He was tremendous in our (defensive) press (on Tuesday night) and he's just been terrific all season long. Matt Derian is our Mr. Hustle guy. When we need a spark we put him in because we know he's going to give us great defense."

"Scott Bonica has found his way onto the court. He gets the offensive rebounds and he has a knack of always getting his hands on the ball when he's in there. He can score inside, he makes his free throws and he's in the back on our press and really has done a good job there."

"Evan does a lot of the little things. He takes the charges, he gives the extra pass and that stuff doesn't show up in the scorebook. And Kyle has fouled out two straight games and that's good because he's showing a physical presence off the bench which is something we really need."

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On Friday night, Wilmington defeated previously unbeaten North Reading, 64-53 at their place. In front of a packed house, Fahey led the way with 26 points, followed by Bibeau with 16 and Melillo with 12.

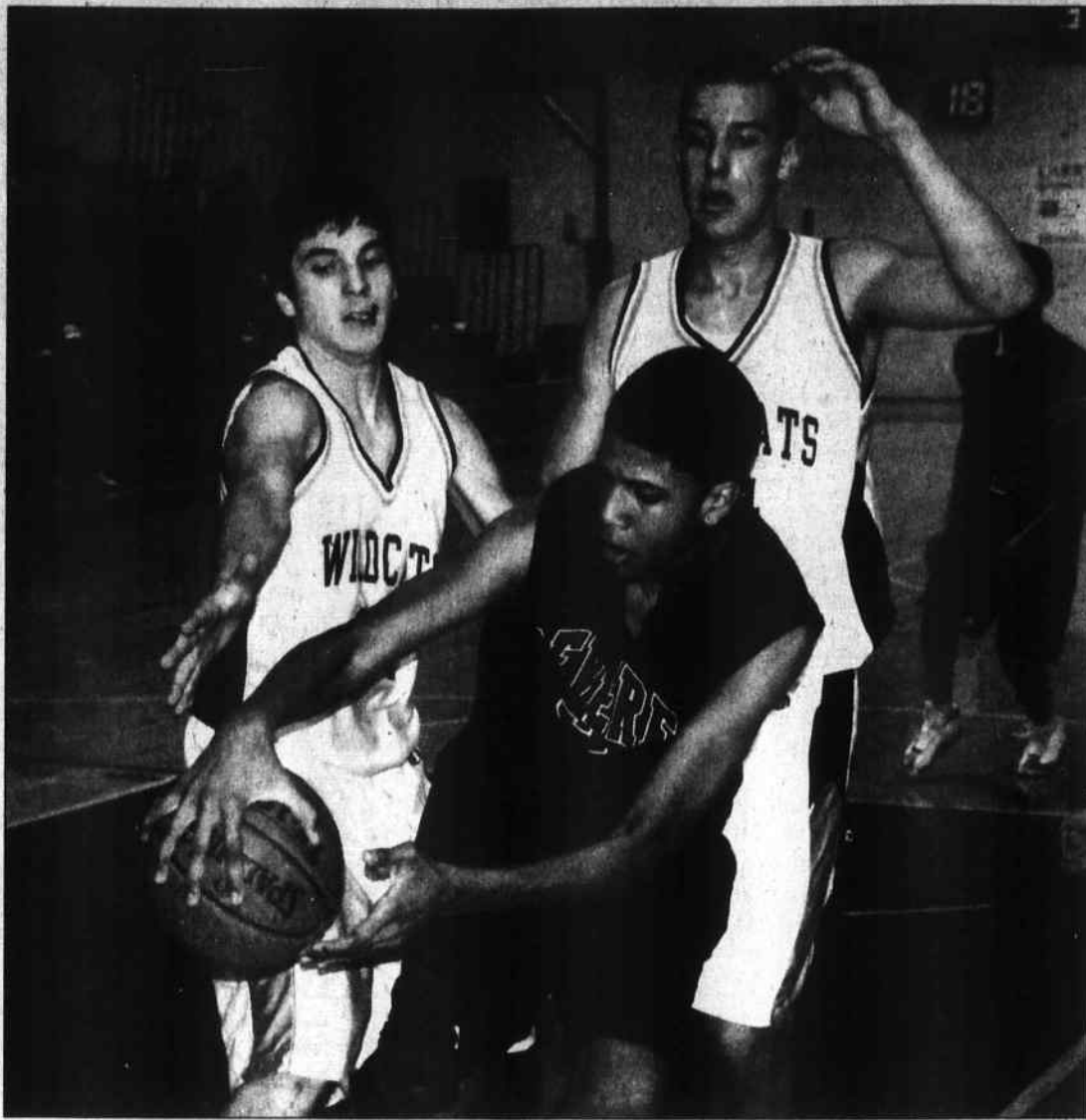
"That was a great game," said McCune. "We had a 12-0 start and basically that was the difference. There were a lot of fouls in the game, but we ended up making 17-of-20 free throws, and that was huge for us."

With an 8-1 overall record, the Wildcats need two more victories to qualify for the state tournament for the 13th time in the past 14 years. Besides that, the 'Cats need six more league wins to take their seventh straight Cape Ann League title.

"Right now things are going great for us," said McCune. "It's been a different mentality lately and a change of style of being more aggressive has really helped us out. We need it keep it going. We can't take anyone lightly. Every game from here on out is for the league title. We have to worry about ourselves and no one else. I think we have to maintain our intensity and hustle."

"I'm just very, very pleased with how the kids have been playing. We need to take it one game at a time. I know that's a cliché but once you overlook one team, they are the ones who'll get you. We have to keep these guys on their toes. Once they loose that, it's my job to give them a reminder of where they need to be."

Wilmington will try to qualify for the state tournament this week with two home games including Hamilton-Wenham on Friday night at 7:00 pm, and then Triton Regional on Monday night.



Wilmington High senior basketball players Matt Derian and Matt Bibeau chase after a loose ball during a recent ghome game. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

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WHS Hockey Round-Up Boys win eighth game, girls still look- ing for first

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The Wilmington High School boys hockey team made it six straight wins last Thursday night, defeating Pentucket Regional, 5-2, at the Haverhill Arena. Eric Siegel had two goals and an assist and line-mates Ernie Mello had one goal and two assists and Michael Enwright had two assists to combine for eight of the team's points and helping the Wildcats improve to 8-1 overall.

"It was the result we were after but not the effort," said head coach Steve Scanlon. "I thought it was one of those classic take the opponent lightly games, and do enough to win. Once we started to pull away with the win the individual stuff started to happen and that's not good to see."

Jeff Harris and Kevin Flanagan had the other goals.

"Kevin scored a big goal for us and it came late in the period," said Scanlon. "He's had a couple of good games in a row. He brings you lost of energy, he throws his body around and he's played well. (Sean) Tavares is the same way. The two of them do a lot of stuff



Wilmington High's Amelia Woodbury makes a save during a recent girls hockey game held at the Ristuccia Exposition Center.

that you don't get credit for. They do a lot of banging in the corners and a lot of second effort stuff."

Goaltender Michael Cabral turned away 16 shots, and in front of him his blueliners played well again.

"The defensemen have settled in," said Scanlon. "We thought that was going to be a concern at the start of the year and it hasn't been. Exiting our zone was a major problem for us last year and we're not having that this year. Those kids just have

to keep things simple and stay out of the penalty box."

Scanlon said Wilmington was penalized a lot again on Thursday and naturally that would be a cause of concern for any head coach.

"When you get called for as many penalties as we have been getting, it's a concern," said Scanlon. "All you're doing is taking momentum away. Plus it burns legs out of other players trying to kill off the penalty."

Wilmington faced an improved Masconomet team on Wednesday night, with results not known as of presstime. On Saturday afternoon, the Wildcats host Lynnfield, the same team that walked all over them 8-2, giving the team its only loss of the season. The puck will be dropped at 2:30 pm at the Ristuccia Exposition Center.

Girls Hockey

The Wilmington High School

girls hockey team dropped to 0-6-3 on the season as Waltham skated away with a 4-1 victory over the Wildcats at Ristuccia Exposition Center on Saturday afternoon.

Waltham had leads of 1-0 and 2-0 after each of the first two periods before Wilmington got on the scoreboard just 53 seconds into the third period. Kelly Brandano and Alicia Nazzaro helped set up Maria Pescatore, who cut the lead in half with a shot to the back of the net. But Waltham came back and scored the next two goals, two minutes apart midway through the period to come away with the win.

Wilmington is now 0-3-1 in conference play, and 0-4-2 overall and have struggled to score goals. The team's top three goal scorers have a combined 16 points through 9 games.

The Wildcats will be competing in the Martha's Vineyard tournament this weekend.

Four wrestlers earn medals up North

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Heading into the season, Wilmington High wrestling coach Mike Pimental knew his team would take its lumps early with all of the rookies and inexperienced grapplers. Over the last few weeks, he's seen the team go up and down, showing signs of life at times. And this past weekend, he hopes is the sign of the team really progressing to make some noise down the stretch drive of the second half of the season.

Pimental took his team up to Vermont, to his old home, Mount Anthony High School, where he was a state champion during the 1988-'89 season. This weekend, the Wildcats competed in the annual Mt. Anthony tournament and placed 8th out of 14 teams, including having four medal winners, more than any previous tournament the team has participated in during this 07-'08 season.

"It was a good weekend and the kids wrestled really well," said Pimental. "I think the team is taking it for the better. What you want early on is for your team to struggle with hopes that the kids keep battling and they peak well at the right time. I'm hoping this is a sign of the team starting to peak at the right time."

Senior Kenny Joyce was the lone wrestler to make it to the final. He advanced to the championship match of the 215-pound division.

"He was ahead 3-0 and got caught in the third period (to lose)," said Pimental. "But he looked great. He's been climbing the ladder every week and he's one of those kids who has been peaking at the right time."

Sophomore Steve Sughrue placed third at the 125-pound division. He lost a tough match in the semi-finals, much like Joyce.

"He was ahead and he also got caught and pinned," said

Pimental. "Like I told Steve though it's better stuff like this happens now and he can learn from it, than later on in the season when it means much more. He's been sick over the last few weeks and that hasn't helped him either."

Both John Tranfaglia (145) and Anthony Nihan (171) finished fourth to close out the team's medal winners.

"This was the first time John has placed at Mt. Anthony so that was nice to see for him," said Pimental. "He didn't have the start to the season that he wanted but he's starting to come around, and turning it into the right direction."

"And this was Anthony's first varsity medal and we're very happy for him," said Pimental. "He ended up losing a triple overtime match going for third and fourth. His opponent won the coin flip and he ended up escaping to win 2-1. But Anthony never gave in at all, he went until the very end."

After the tournament was over, Pimental realized that he could, if physically possible, make a return to his old high school. The head coach at Mt. Anthony is Scott Legace, who has guided his team to 14 straight Vermont state championships. He'll be going for 15 straight sometime next month, and a win there and he'll become the only coach in the country's history to guide a high school team to 20 straight state championships. Pimental was on that first one, in 1988-'89, when he was an individual state champ. There's a possibility that, ESPN could televise the event with as many alumni wrestlers as possible on hand to watch the milestone.

Wilmington is back in action hosting Pentucket, Winchester and Quabbin in a quad meet Saturday morning at 11:00 am. The Wildcats are currently 4-1 overall, but 0-4 in the Cape Cod League.

Wilmington Boosters Dance, Jan. 26

The Wilmington Boosters Association is a non-profit organization whose goal is to provide scholarships to deserving Wilmington High School Athletes upon graduation.

The annual Wilmington Boosters Dinner Dance is to be held on Saturday, January 26, 2008 at the Knights of Columbus featuring an Italian Buffet along with a DJ from 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50.00 per couple.

If you are interested in purchasing tickets for the event, or making a donation for the event, please contact Donna Crosby at 978-657-5293.

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Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

Hockey team skates past Northeast, 3-0

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Shawsheen Tech hockey team had only game this past week, but it was probably their biggest game of the season so far, and the Rams responded brilliantly, taking a 3-0 decision over arch rival Northeast last Thursday night at the Hallenborg Pavilion in a key Commonwealth Athletic Conference game.

The victory improved the Rams overall record to 8-1 while they remained perfect in the CAC with a record of 5-0. Northeast, on of the Rams chief rivals for the top of the league dropped to 3-1-1 in league play.

It is still very early, but Shawsheen coach Chuck Baker knows that the win puts his team in the early driver's seat in pursuit of the CAC title.

"It was a big win for us," Baker said. "With Tyngsboro and Hamilton-Wenham out of the league and only ten league games, to get an early win vs. Northeast is very big for us. Rockport and Minuteman are

also both improved, so we have to stay focused, but this does put us in good position early in the year."

The Rams scored once in each period with Cory Bruckler adding to his team lead with two goals, giving him 11 on the season. Bruckler also has six assists and leads the Rams in total points with 17 on the season.

"Cory has been playing real well," Baker said. "In fact, his entire line with him and Ryan Arensbach and Matt Blanchard has all been playing very well. And they enjoy playing together which is important."

Junior center Arensbach also had a great game, assisting on both Bruckler goals and scoring on his own to tie him for the team lead with Bruckler with 17 points (6 goals, 11 assists).

Senior goalie Josh Sanchez continued his outstanding play of late with his second shutout of the season, making 32 saves to ensure the victory.

"It was a little different than the Tyngsboro game when they had a lot of golden opportunities and he had to keep coming up big," Baker said. "He was only really tested in the first period, but those saves were big at the time, because they gave us some momentum."

The game featured 24 penalties, with 14 of them being called on Northeast. These teams of course, do have a history, with an end of game fight between fans and players at the Hallenborg two seasons ago leading to a ban of fans for the game later that season at Northeast.

Despite the history, however, Baker said this game did not feature any type of dirty play. But he agreed that the history between the two teams may have led to the officials being a little quick with their whistle.

"Honestly I think the penalties could have been cut in half," baker said. "There were a lot of tough calls on both teams. But on the other hand, the officials did know the history between the two teams so they wanted to keep things under control. It was a physical game, but it was not like some others I have seen."

The Rams will look to wrap up a state tournament berth this week with a pair of league games against Nashoba Tech and Lynn Tech. The Rams will take on Nashoba at the Hallenborg on Thursday night and travel to Lynn Tech for a Saturday night game. Wins in both games will clinch a tourney spot for the Rams.

Boys Basketball

The Shawsheen boys basketball team also had a very big week, picking up an impressive 60-46 CAC Large School victory on the road over Greater Lawrence on Friday night. The win, which came on the heels of 65-51 win last Tuesday night against Chelsea, improved the Rams record on the season to 7-2 overall and 3-1 in the CAC Large.

In the Rams first season in the Large Division after playing in the Small for the past several years, they are off to an impressive start, showing no signs of being intimidated by larger and more talented schools than they have face in recent years.

"I am very much surprised at the start we have had," Shawsheen coach Bob Hodnett said. "These are some very good teams that we are facing this year and last week we came up with two big wins over good teams. I was happy to get both of them."

Against Greater Lawrence, it was senior guard Tommy Joyce of Tewksbury who led the way for the Rams with a great all around game, scoring 17 points, while pulling down eight rebounds. He also dished out eight rebounds and had three steals.

"We are just playing better as a team right now and Tommy definitely is," Hodnett said. "It

took a little while for some of our guys who played football to get going, but now they are playing really well."

While Joyce was not one of the football players adjusting to basketball season, he has certainly benefited from the improve play of many of his teammates as the Rams have seemed to get better with each game.

Senior forward Joe Gore, fresh off a 24 point, 10 rebound performance against Chelsea had another strong night against Greater Lawrence with 12 points, and the Rams also got an outstanding performance from junior center Ryan Sugrue of Tewksbury. Sugrue had eight points, five blocks and 12 rebounds in a fine all around effort.

"Ryan has been playing real well," Hodnett said. "He defends well and he has been grabbing rebounds. If he does not block shots, he has at least been altering shots. He is one of the biggest kids in the league (6'5) and he uses his size to his advantage."

The Rams were scheduled to take on Whittier on Monday night, but like everything else in the area, the game was canceled due to the inclement weather. No makeup date for that game has been announced yet, but as the Town Crier went to press on Wednesday, the Rams were preparing to take on Lynn Tech in a makeup of a previous game.

Lynn Tech has consistently been one of the powers not only of the league but of the entire state. Hodnett though, felt his team had a shot at the mighty Tigers and his squad was looking forward not only to this game, but to a rematch with Minuteman later next week.

"We are playing as well as we can right now for three games in a row so hopefully we will continue to play well," Hodnett said. "In their whole high school career these kids have never beaten Lynn Tech or Minuteman, but they feel like they have a shot this year."

Part of the reason for the Rams and Hodnett's optimism is the topsy turvy nature of the CAC Large this season.

"The league is wide open right now," Hodnett said. "We lost to Minuteman by three, and Lynn Tech beat Minuteman by about 40. But then Lynn Tech lost on their home court to Greater Lawrence who we just beat.

You have to come to play every night. It's not like it was before for us."

Swimming

The Shawsheen co-ed swimming team is having a successful season under first year coach J.P. Boriello. After a 1-1 week the Rams record on the season now stands at 4-1 and even brighter days appear to be ahead with a team stocked with young players, many of them locals who will be making an impact for years to come.

Last Wednesday afternoon, the Rams scored an impressive victory over CAC rival Greater Lowell, with a 97-86 victory. It was the Rams first victory over the Gryphons in four years, and Boriello was pleased to see his athletes enjoy the results of their hard work.

"It had been a while since Shawsheen had beaten them so it was nice to get the win," Boriello said. "It was close all the way through so it was good to come out on top."

Freshman Molly Fitzpatrick of Tewksbury led the way for the Rams with an outstanding all round performance as she was victorious in both the 200 yard individual medley as well as the 100 yard butterfly. She was also part of the Rams victories in both the 200 yard medley relay as well as the 400 yard freestyle relay.

She has been great all year and on Wednesday she was very strong," Boriello said. "The butterfly is probably her best event, but she is also very good in the freestyle. She is a good all around swimmer that I can put anywhere and know that she will do well."

Fitzpatrick is not the only freshman from Tewksbury offering bright hope for the future while also excelling in the present. Her classmate Jessica Frost is also making quite the impact for the Rams, and continued to do so on Wednesday with a victory in the 500 yard freestyle as well as the backstroke.

"Jess did a great job," Boriello said. "She is continuing to improve and I expect big things from her in her career."

Sophomore Mike O'Connell of Wilmington had a fine day of his own with individual victories in both the 100 yard freestyle as well as the 50 yard freestyle. O'Connell was also a part of both relay victories.

He has been swimming the 50 and 100 and doing a great job with both," Boriello said. "He has also been excellent with the freestyle and with the relays. He is a good athlete. He plays soccer for the school as well."

Senior Chris Damp picked up a third place finish for the Rams in the one meter dive and would follow that up two days later with a second place finish in the loss to Northeast.

"Chris is doing real well for us," Boriello said. "He is our only diver this year and he has stepped up. He is also a good swimmer for us and has placed in both the 100 and the 50 freestyle."

On Friday afternoon the Rams traveled to Northeast Regional and suffered a 60-42 loss. Despite the loss the Rams once again got some great efforts from Fitzpatrick, O'Connell, Frost and Damp.

Fitzpatrick grabbed second place finishes in both the freestyle and butterfly, while O'Connell once again took first in both the 50 and 100 freestyle.

Frost meanwhile, finished second in both the 500 freestyle as well as the backstroke and in addition to his impressive diving, added a second place finish in the 50 yard freestyle.

Girls Basketball

The Shawsheen girls basketball team may be having the most impressive season of any of the winter teams, sporting a perfect 6-0 record after last Friday's 52-32 home in over Greater Lawrence. All six of the wins for the Lady Rams have come against CAC opponents.

As it has been for much of the season for the Rams, the scoring was well spread out for Shawsheen, although two players in Friday's game stood out with Melanie Strazzere coring 15 points and assign nine rebounds, while Selina Houghton added 13 points to go along with six steals.

Caitlyn Gallagher contributed in all facets of the game with eight points, nine steals and seven rebounds. Katie Hogan of Tewksbury added eight points and 11 rebounds, while another Tewksbury resident, freshman guard Taylor Marshall made the most of her varsity debut with five assists and four points.

having priority over said mortgage, to tenancies or occupations by persons on the premises now or at the time of the said auction which tenancies or occupations are subject to said mortgage, to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants or former tenants now located on the premises, and also to all laws and ordinances including, but not limited to, all building and zoning laws and ordinances.

THE TERMS OF SALE: FIVE THOUSAND and 00/100 (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS will be required to be paid by bank or certified check only by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, and the balance of the purchase price shall be paid by bank or certified check in or within thirty five (35) days thereafter with Attorneys Stanton & Davis, 1000 Plain Street, Marshfield, Massachusetts. The successful bidder at the sale of the premises shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Sale of Real Property By Auctioneer containing the above terms at the Auction sale.

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SIGNED: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") solely as nominee for Lender (Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.) and Lender's successors and assigns, Present Holder of Said Mortgage, By: STANTON & DAVIS, As its Attorneys, FROM THE OFFICES OF: Jon S. Davis, Esquire, STANTON & DAVIS, 1000 Plain Street, Marshfield, MA 02050, (781) 834-9181.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Twn Hall, 121 Glen Road on February 13, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 6-08 SW & Sprint Spectrum LP Map R3 Parcel 50B

To amend a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to install 3 additional WiMax panel antennas at the same height as the existing antennas together with ancillary equipment cabinets at the base of the tower for property located at 375 Ballardvale Street.

Case 7-08 SW & Sprint Spectrum LP Map 40 Parcel 2A

To amend a Special Permit in accordance with §6.8 to add 3 additional WiMax panel antennas at the same height as the existing antennas together with 2 outdoor equipment cabinets within the fenced compound for property located at 625 Main Street.

Case 8-08 Mark & John Murphy Map 8 Parcel 61A

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §4.2 Accessory Apartment for property located at 29 Winston Avenue.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Shirley Proctor to Citibank, FSB, dated October 5, 2001 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 12564, Page 50, of which mortgage Citibank, NA, f/k/a Citibank, FSB is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 2:00 p.m. on February 13, 2008, on the mortgaged premises located at 14 Greenhalge Street, Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

TO WIT:

The land with the buildings and improvements thereon in Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, at the corner of Greenhalge Street, and Texas Road, with the building numbered 14 Greenhalge Street, being Lots numbered 858, 859, 860 and 861 on Plan C, called Oakland Park in the Town of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; said plan was drawn by A.J. Harty and dated April 28, 1907, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 24, Plan 23, which plan is referred to for a more particular description.

Containing 9,000 square feet of land, more or less.

Subject to a first mortgage to Tony Paglia, Trustee of the Paglia Trust dated July 22, 1999 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 10295, Page 180 in the original principal amount of \$130,000.00.

For mortgagors(s) title see

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN MEETING
WARRANT ARTICLES

Notice is hereby given that Articles, for inclusion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to be held May 3, 2008, must be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, no later than 4:30 p.m. on February 1, 2008.

Michael J. Newhouse,
Chairman
Board of Selectmen

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deed recorded with Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 12015, Page 262.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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IN THE ESTATE OF
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In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death July 1, 2006

NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that MICHAEL A. AHERN of LOWELL in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON FEBRUARY 12, 2008.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. PETER C. DIGANGI, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, January 8, 2008.

1.16.08 John R. Buonomo
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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Michael Riddle to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS") solely as nominee for Lender (Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.) and Lender's successors and assigns, dated February 10, 2006, and registered in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 236654 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 19973, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at public auction at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday the 13th day of February, 2008, on the mortgaged premises located at 13 Broad Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts, all and singular the real estate described in said mortgage as follows:

"...the following described property located in the COUNTY of MIDDLESEX:

SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

Exhibit A

That certain parcel of land situate in Wilmington in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the Northeastly line of Broad Street, one hundred forty (140) feet;

Northwesterly by land now or formerly of Charles A. P. Sherman, one hundred sixty (160) feet;

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of Harold E. Melzar, one hundred forty (140) feet; and

Southeasterly by Lot 1, one hundred sixty (160) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the land court to be located as shown on a plan 36022-A, drawn by Fred W. Gould, Surveyor, dated December 8, 1968, as modified and approved by the Court, filed in the land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which is filed with Certificate of Title 18180, and said land is shown as Lot two (2) on said plan.

Said land is affected by a Notice of Variance by the Town of Wilmington, dated February 28, 1966, duly recorded in Book 1752, Page 28.

For grantor(s) title, see Certificate of Title No. 19973

Parcel ID Number: 67-84 which currently has the address of 13 BROAD ST, WILMINGTON, Massachusetts 01887-1944 ("Property Address").

TOGETHER WITH all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property".

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WRBL Round-Up

Quintin DiStefano leads Minnesota to win

Big 10 - Boys Grade 3

Minnesota 17, Indiana 11

Doing some serious damage for Minnesota was Quintin DiStefano with 7 points and Quinn Reynolds. Patrick Dullea and Nicholas Skeirik played very, very well for the Golden Gophers.

Leading the way for Indiana was Robbie DuCharme with 4 points and three other players with 2 points including Camden Connor. Richard Gottschalk and Scott Burke played very well and almost pulled it out for Indiana.

Purdue 12, Wisconsin 6

Doing the damage for the Boilermakers of Purdue was Scott Bonish with a game high of 6 points. Also helping out young Scott was Cameron Walsh (6) and Ryan Aldrich with 4 points. Zachary Lahlou and Nicholas Fanikos played very well defensively.

Wisconsin got all of their scoring done from two players. Edmond DeAngelo led the way with 4 points while Jared Spinney added the other basket.

Michigan 18, Ohio St. 8

Michigan was lead by three players. Each of these three had 6 points apiece. The three musketeers were Scott Stenson, Connor Robinson, and Bobby Gostanian. Brendan Daley and Scott Edwards key rebounds really closed any chance Ohio St. had of winning the game. Ohio St. on the other hand had four players, each of whom scored a basket.

These culprits were Jason Dunn, Zachary Richards, Jake Ponte, and Austin Domek. Patrick Flaherty and Harley Monteiro did everything they possibly could to pull this out for Ohio St.

Penn St. 8, Iowa 6

Getting it done for the Nittany Lions was Matthew Mangano with 4 points. The other 4 points were scored by Justin Ekstrom and Thomas Brabant. Alex Fischer and Devin Roberts played outstanding the last few minutes in this very close game to preserve the victory. Iowa was led by a trio of two point scorers. These three were Joseph Gaudreau, Darin MacEacheron and Brendan Pierce. Daniel Judkins and David Bailey showed exceptional effort even in the closing stages of the game to try and pull this game out. This game right here was the Saturday WRBL game of the Day.

Big East - Boys Grades 4&5

St. John's 15, Cincinnati 8

Devin Field led the attack for St. John's as he finished with 7 points on the day. Liam Reynolds was second in line as he threw in another 6. Thomas Simmons managed to score the final basket ending his day with a deuce. Kevin Richardson and Matthew Sutton made many key defensive stops to secure the victory for St. John's.

Ronald Judkins once again led the way for Cincinnati as he finished with 5 points. Bradley Priem and Evan Sperlinga combined for the final 3, scoring 2 and 1 point respectively.

West Virginia 27, Providence 13

Everyone contributed to West Virginia's offense and helped them walk away with a 14-point win. The duo of David Santini and Evan Raffi led the way with 6 points apiece. Ryan Donnell, Craig Venezia, and Nicholas Raffi each contributed 4 more, while Zach Rourke had the final 3. Ben Rohleder was the day's leading scorer as he chipped in 9 points for Providence.

Alex Popa and Sean Walsh rounded out the scoring with a basket each. Timothy Hill, Jack Stanford, Joseph Tassone, and Jaret Loguidice all showed great hustle on both ends of the court.

Georgetown 34, Louisville 3

Georgetown continues to dominate the league as Ryan Fischer led the attack with 10 points this week. Trevor Worthington, Kyle Mirabito, Justin Wright, Ryan Walsh, and Dylan Masiello all chipped in with 4 points of their own. Patrick McFall and Matthew Coleman each had a basket on the day. Louisville put up a great fight as all their players worked extremely hard. Kevin Burke and Jacob Tague threw

in the 3 points scoring 2 points and 1 point respectively. Colin Scanlon, Mason Ouellette, and Adam Gilman were standouts on the court as they all had great games.

Rutgers 21, Syracuse 21

Not even overtime could end this stalemate between Rutgers and Syracuse as they finished in an exciting 21-21 tie. Zachary Abbot was the game's leading scorer as he contributed 13 points for Rutgers. Luke McInnis was next in line with 4, while Lawrence Gordon and Billy Falter each had 2 on the day. Kevin Goncalves led the offensive attack for Syracuse as he netted 8 points.

Joe Castellano was next in line with 6 and Kurtis O'Byrne had another 5. Michael Gake rounded out the scoring with a deuce. Riley Keogan and Preston Collette both showed great hustle on both ends of the court.

UConn 18, Villanova 17

In the second exciting game of the week, UConn managed to hold off Villanova by a one-point margin. Leading the way for the Huskies was Lucas Garrity with 13. Justin Kannally and Michael Shedd threw in 2 points apiece and Nathan Vince rounded out the scoring with a point.

Villanova trailed by one point much of the game as they were led by Ryan Horgan and Michael Amato with 7 and 6 points respectively. Danny Valerio and Austin Ferreira contributed a basket each in the game. Both teams put up a great fight as defensive standouts include Matthew Caruso, Cameron Yuen, Conor Bailey, and Gregory Sullivan.

Marquette 18, Pittsburgh 14

Marquette finished the day with a 4-point victory over Pittsburgh this week as they were led by the duo of Jack Gillis and Andrew Vellucci, each with 4 points. Ted Miele, Kevin LaLiberte, Andrew Lesperance, Brian Neal, and Peter Amato all chipped in with a basket apiece. Justin Leger was the game's leading scorer as he led the Pittsburgh attack with 8 points.

Nicholas Poli was next in line with 4, while Alex Frye had the final deuce. Anthony Brown, Jonathan Perella, Daniel Bell, and Jake Kelly played with great hustle and determination the whole game.

DePaul 25, Notre Dame 5

Nick Menzel was too much for the Irish to handle, as he was the game's leading scorer with 12 points. Alex Hiltz and Alex Menzel combined for 9 more scoring 5 and 4 points respectively. Scott Newton and Shawn Reardon contributed the final 4, scoring 2 points apiece. The Irish put up a great fight the whole game.

Zachary Leighton led the way with 4 points and John Pasquariello threw in the final point. CJ DiOrio, Michael DeMarco, Harry Middleton, and David Krueger all made many key plays on both ends of the court.

Conference USA -

Boys Grades 6&7

Houston 42,

Central Florida 38

This was an outstanding game right from the tip. Doing the damage for Houston was Brian Priem with 11 points and Daniel Sullivan added in an additional 9. Sean Berube and William MacKinnon each added in 8 points. Dylan Walsh played shut down defense to preserve the victory.

Leading the way for Central Florida was Tom Letellier with 20 while Brandon Wong poured in 8 points. Brian Nazzalo and Steven Anderson played very well on both ends of the court.

UTEP 38, Rice 23

Leading the way for the Miners was Sam Silva with a game high of 20 points. Four players also added in two baskets apiece. Included in this four were Ryan Kennedy, Kevin Meuse, Colin Chase, and William McNamara. Michael Callahan lead the way for the Owls of Rice with 8 points.

Jeffrey Favuzza had 6 points while Eli Jennings poured in 5 points. Thomas Feindel and Paul Oliver were monsters on the defensive side of the ball.

Marshall 36, Memphis 21

Marshall was lead by David Arria and Daniel Pendenza. David had a game high of 17 while Daniel poured in 11 points. Devon Dembowski and Brandon Keefe made some Chris Paul type of passes to keep Memphis from winning the game. Cole Nichols did the damage for Memphis by scoring 11 points. Craig Smith and Arthur Papastathis each added in a basket. Zachary Riel would get a Tommy Point from me, if I could give out such a thing.

E. Carolina 39, UAB 21

Once again Tyler Vibert had a WRBL high with 23 points. David Cairn returned to action to add in an additional 13 points. Patrick Barry and Matthew Ruff played exceptionally well during the closing minutes. Vinny Poli was doing damage for UAB with a team high of 10 points.

Shamus Gibbons had 6 points and Ryan Cocca poured in 5 points. Anthony Federico and Matthew Curran gave it there all to try and help give UAB the victory.

SMU 43, Tulane 28

SMU had a pair of scorers with ten plus points. Blake Walker had a game high of 14 points while Sam Borseti added in 10 points. Playing an all around excellent game was Ben Wilson and Christopher Newton. Tulane was lead by Connor Burke who added in 11 points while Nicholas Dirienzo poured in 8 points. Jack Campbell and Brendan Ahern were monsters on the offensive and defensive glass.

Tulsa 42, Southern Miss 31

Jake MacIsaac was doing it for Tulsa with a game high of 10 points. Anthony Castellano also added in 9 points. Wayne Barne had a season high with 8 points. Jacob Dalke and Mark Prior played Ben Wallace type defense to keep this game in Tulsa's favor.

Doing damage for Southern Miss were Dan Hope with 9 points and Time Hunt added in 7 points. Gino Lena and Erik Alatalo were doing all they could to keep this game as



Katie Cowden dribbles the basketball for the Wilmington Sixth Grade Girls Travel Basketball team during a game held this past weekend.

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close as possible.

NBA - Boys Grades 8-10

Knicks 48, Heat 39

Tim McCarthy led the way for the Knicks as he threw in 21 points, on the day, while Mike Amenola was next in line with another 14. Eric Lee contributed 5 more and Dan McCarthy and Jonathan Stratouly each had 4 points to complete the scoring attack. Alex Wells was the Heat leading scorer as he threw in a solid 17 points on the day. Sean Keane was next in line with 9 more, while Richard Barry had another 5. Christopher Crupi and Justin Bleirer rounded out the scoring as they each had 4 points.

Grizzlies 71, Nuggets 34

The Grizzlies walked away with an amazing win as three players finished in double figures. Jeff Kannally was the day's leading scorer as he threw in 25. Derek O'Dea chipped in with 18 more, while Adam Kline contributed another 14. Bryan Fennelly had another 6, while Ryan Walsh had 4 more. Andrew Medeiros and Nick Whalen chipped in with a basket each.

Sean Hanley led the way for the Nuggets as he had 13 on the day. Pat Enwright threw in another 8, while Michael Arria had 6 more. Mike Donahue, Joe Warren, and Bob Cameron rounded out the scoring 3, 2, and 2 points respectively.

Cavaliers 62, Wizards 21

Four Cavalier players finished in double figures to lead the team to victory. Dave Mello finished the day with 18, while Nolan Giroux and Mike Gracia each had 12 points. Ian

Sullivan chipped in with another 11 of his own. Dylan Sullivan had 7 more, while Colin McGuire and Kevin Burke rounded out the scoring with the final 5, scoring 4 and 1 point respectively. The Wizards put up a great fight, but fell short as Philip Lentini led the way with 10 points. Keegan Farnham had another 5, while Andrew LaRosa, Bryan Feindel, and Andrew Flood rounded out the scoring with a basket each.

Bulls 68, Hornets 21

Three Bulls players finished in double figures as Chris Frissore led the way with 21. Marty Bamberg had another 16 and Matt McKenna had 11 of his own. Derek Duggan threw in 8, while Jon Terlaga chipped in with 6. Michael Mullens contributed 4 more and Trevor Foley had the final deuce.

Leading the way for the Hornets was Mike Kelly with 21 points. Jimmy Bonish had the final 11 points to complete the scoring. Kevin Bell, Jeff Hill, and Joe Anderson all made many key offensive plays.

Lakers 39, Nets 38

The Lakers walked away with a one-point victory in this week's exciting NBA game. Zachary Copp led the way with 12 points. Matthew Costello and Jimmy Welch were next in line with 6 points apiece. Jonathan Fabiano threw in 4 more, while Adam Paquette, Ian Haggerty, and Denis Gingras chipped in with 3 points each. Ben Levine rounded out the scoring with a deuce.

The Nets spread out their offense among nearly every present player as Robbie

Fisher led the way with 9 points. Omair Shaikh was next in line with 6, while Derek Queen, Cameron Shepard, and Joseph Fitzgerald each finished the day with 4 points. Ryan Pennie, Zach Anderson, and Ryan Malone chipped in with 3 points each and Adam DiTocco completed the scoring with a basket.

Atlantic 10 - Girls

Grades 3&4

LaSalle 18, avier 10

Marisa Butler had an incredible game, leading Xavier's scoring with eight points. Caitlin Ferreira followed with two, while Taylor Bosco showed great enthusiasm at the foul line. Xavier had great defensive support with the help of Rachel White and Nicole Barry as well.

Scoring for LaSalle were Isabella Cigna with three, and Francesca Barone with one. Samantha Lodato also made a tremendous effort helping with LaSalle's win.

Dayton 24, George Washington 20

Kaila Bavin led Dayton to victory with twenty points, while Kellie Souza had four. Stephanie Nicoli and Siobhan Reidy helped on the defensive end greatly, with great support from Kyra Walsh, Melody Almeida, Samantha MacInnis, and Emily O'Keefe.

George Washington came very close but fell short in the last few minutes of the game, with scoring from Olivia O'Regan, Lindsay Donahue, and Erica Pudvelis all with four, Olivia Hill with one at the line, Emily Rakers with two,

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Richmond barely gets by Temple, 20-17

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and Samantha DeMonico with three, including one at the line. Emily Loud possessed marvelous defensive skills, which George Washington greatly benefited from.

Richmond 20, Temple 17
Katie Blair lit up the scoreboard with her speedy six points in the first few minutes of the game, helping to benefit Temple. Shortly following Katie, Christina Wright had four, Marci Zaccardi had five, and Mackenzie Casey had two.

For Richmond, Keara Martins had eight, Sarah Klucznik had six, and Molly O'Shea, Shannon Mota, and Michelle Doucette all had two each.

The game was a close one, and each girl played their hardest, but Richmond was announced victorious.

St. Louis 12, Fordham 10
For Fordham, Hailey Liston had an incredible game with eight points, and Carolyn Nasiff followed with two. Both girls were excellent on defense, along with Arianna Schuurman and Montana Howlett. For St. Louis, Makayla Donahue and Courtney Murphy each had six, and both Meghan Rodenhiser and Eva Nesline made it to the foul line. In the end, after a very close game, St. Louis clinched the win.

Rhode Island 18, Charlotte 8
For Rhode Island, Teresa Gracia made a tremendous effort with six points, while both Melissa McNamara and Alexa Papastathis had two. Julia Gake stole the game with eight points, giving Rhode Island a final score of eighteen. For Charlotte, Ashley DeLucia got her team rolling in the second half with four points.

Samantha Rideout had two, while Christina Natola made two beautiful shots at the foul line. Sydney Brennan gave tough support on defense for Charlotte also.

St. Joe's 18, Duquesne 12
For St. Joe's, Victoria McDermott was the lead scorer with eight points. Following closely was Siobhan Scanlon with six. Mary Lesperance and Morgan DiBenedetto had two

each. Christina Woods and Nicole Rosania both made tremendous efforts on defense.

For Duquesne, Bridget Sullivan and Ashley Warren each had four, while Maeve Sullivan and Kristen Brown each had two. Heather Hayes and Erin Miasserian were incredible defenders, keeping the score very close. In the end, St. Joe's clinched the win.

Atlantic Coast - Girls Grades 5&6

Duke 28, Virginia Tech 10
Duke continued its winning ways Saturday with solid performances by Cassandra Grasso (18 points) and Kaitlyn Curley (17 points) as they beat Virginia Tech. Sara Rakers had 4 points, Nicole McIney had 2 points and Stephanie Sullivan had 2 points to round out the scoring.

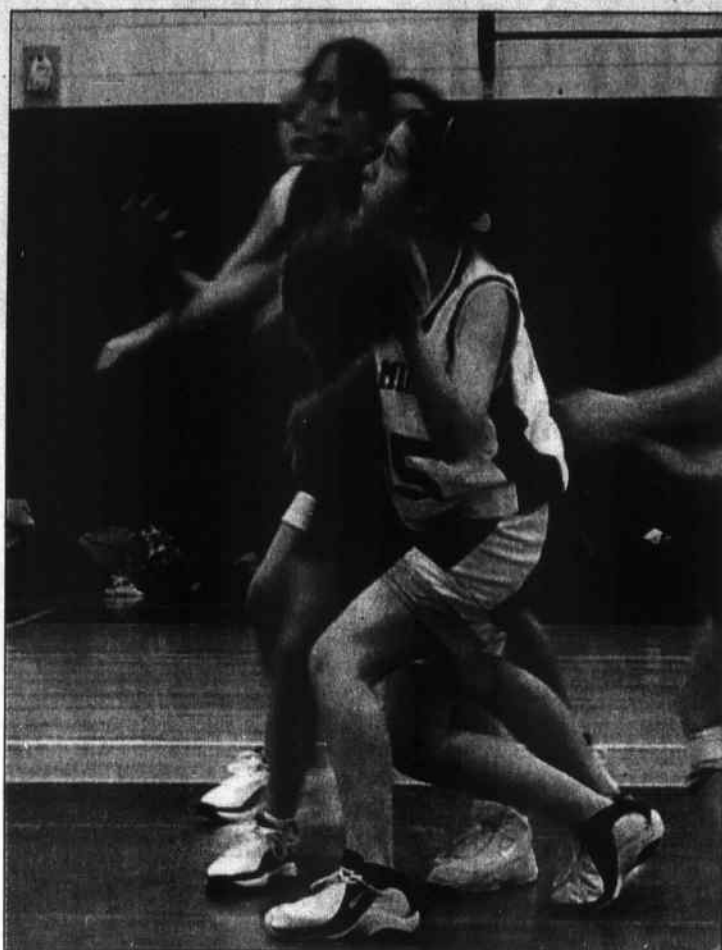
Marina Otis and Erin Berube's defense hampered many Virginia Tech attempts to score. Johanna Marden distributed the ball well to the rest of the offense from her guard position.

Virginia Tech's Sara Cokash scored 6 points, Caroline Albanese had 2 points, and Jacqueline Cote had 2 points in strong individual performances. Alexandra LeBlanc and Veronica Reidy made their presence known by securing numerous rebounds on the defensive boards.

Kristina Nicoli and Lauren Natale's defensive coverage on the perimeter was a huge asset to Virginia Tech all game.

Wake Forest 22, Virginia 18 (OT)

Perennial power Wake Forest battled Virginia to a tie game in regulation and needed an overtime period to record a victory. Hannah Reynolds had a strong game and powered in 10 points in the win. Julie Welch and Michaela Ouellette each had 4 points and Nicole Potcner and Molly Fanikos added 2 points apiece. Casey MacDonald, Rael Gallucci and Hannah Griffin's defense forced Virginia to constantly compromise their shots. Lexi Tamburello led Virginia



Jackie Parece of the seventh grade girls travel basketball team, looks to the basket during a game held this weekend.

(courtesy photo)

with 6 points and some very aggressive defense. The rest of the scoring was spread among Heather Benson (4 points), Presley Silva (2 points), Shana Butler (2 points), Kourtney Bolis (2 points) and Danielle Gianatassio (2 points). Brianna Tavares and Elizabeth Dullea's defense in the low post made things difficult for the Wake Forest forwards. Jessica Hogan constantly harassed the Wake Forest ballhandlers making them work hard on each possession.

North Carolina 20, Maryland 17

Amelia Arbeeley (6 points) led a powerful North Carolina offense to a win over Maryland. Scoring baskets at critical times in the game were Jillian Williams (4 points), Madison Young (4 points), and Sara Ennis (4 points). Olivia Walsh

played well at point guard and also scored a basket. Lilly Day and Lauren DePasquale controlled the defensive boards holding Maryland to only one shot per possession.

Maryland's Caroline Johnston (12 points) kept this game close with her outside shooting. Victoria Ferreira had 4 points and Elizabeth Harvey (1 point) finished out the scoring. Gianna Mirabella, who played well on both ends of the floor, made it to the free throw line after being fouled driving to the basket. Samantha MacInnis, Jillian Doyle and Katrina Saragosa used their defensive skills to keep the North Carolina guards away from the basket.

Clemson 27, Miami 23 (OT)
The game of the day had Clemson edging out Miami as Rachael Cormier (22 points)

scored the final 2 baskets in an exciting overtime period. Michaela Rodenhiser and Shreya Pai both added a basket while Bridget Cadogan had one point. Brittany Abbott and Emily Bamberg worked the ball inside on offense allowing Clemson some easy shots. The defensive tandem of Danielle McNally and Savannah Sullivan stopped many Miami fast breaks.

Miami's Lauren Amazeen drove strong to the basket all game and finished with 19 points. Lauren received support in the scoring department from Amanda Richards (2 points) and Meghan Sullivan (2 points). Hannah Brown and Kendra Scott kept the ball alive on the offensive boards allowing Miami multiple shot attempts each time down the floor.

Kristen Connors, Melissa Furlong and Meghan Carney's defense was a big reason the game needed to go to overtime to determine a winner.

Georgia Tech 34, Florida St. 19

Georgia Tech's offense was firing on all cylinders as seven players put points on the scoreboard in a win over Florida St. Saturday. Kimberly Donoghue (12 points) shot well in the low post. Taylor Perella (6 points), Lianna Natola (6 points) and Rachel Alatalo (4 points) could not miss from the perimeter. Samantha DePasquale, Emma Ceres and Victoria Lee all contributed a basket in the winning effort.

Caitlin Parrott scored 8 points early to help Florida St. keep the game close in the first half. Erica Lloyd and Caroline Newhouse scored a basket each in solid all around offensive performances.

Danielle Reynolds (3 points), Kristen Luise (2 points) and Shannon Moulton (2 points) added to the point total in addition to working very hard at the defensive end of the court. Emma Gaudreau had multiple rebounds and made some good defensive stops.

WNBA - Girls Grades 7-10

The Mercury continues their dominance as Taylor Hanley once again led the way with 14 points. Lauren Bennett and Jacqueline Kennedy were next in line with 8 points apiece. Megan Howland and Kelly Valletta chipped in for the final 6, scoring 4 and 2 points respectively. Randi Davis had a great game for the Comets as she finished with a game high 20 points. Kayla Falter and Brittany Cavanaugh combined for the final 6 throwing in 4 and 2 points respectively. Cassandra Lee and Melissa O'Donoghue had great games for their teams.

Liberty 32, Sparks 28

Lisa Hitchins made her return felt as she led the way for the Liberty with 12 points. Janelle Celeste was next in line with 8 and Danielle Parisi had another 6. Kelsey Mangan chipped in with 4 more, while Janelle Heenan contributed the final 2 points in the victory. Kelly Duffy had a huge day for the Sparks as she finished with 20 points.

Nicole Kakleas had another 14 while Sara Pudvelis and Colleen Brothers each had 2 points on the day. Katie Johnston, Stephanie Canty, and Alexandra Gemellaro all played with great hustle on both ends of the court.

Storm 36, Mystics 30

The Storm managed to hold off the Mystics as they walked away with a strong 6-point victory. Megan Priem led the way with 20 points. Sabrina Mirabella chipped in with 8 more, while Casey Murray, Jenn Garrard, Ashley DeFuria, and Laura Magee all finished the day with a basket. The duo of Erin Welch and Janelle Engrem led the way for the Mystics as they scored 8 and 6 points respectively.

Emily Colosimo, Kathleen Kurowski, and Elizabeth Hill chipped in with 4 more apiece and Julia Carter and Delaney Gillis rounded out the scoring with a basket apiece.

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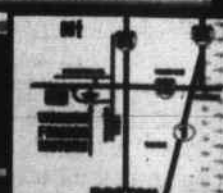
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Jimmy Pedro

By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

Top practitioners of Judo from all over the world are expected to make a stop in Wakefield as they try to qualify for a spot on the United States Olympic Judo team. The reason is the 5th Annual Pedro's Challenge to be held at Wakefield Memorial High School's Field House on Saturday, February 23.

The event was first held at the field house in 2004, according to its founder, Sensei Jimmy Pedro of Methuen, a former

Jimmy Pedro's
Wakefield dojo

Wakefield: A stop on the way to the Olympics

World Judo Champion and two-time Olympic Bronze Medal winner. In the first year it drew 183 athletes and last year, the first year as an Elite Event of the United States Judo Association, it drew over 400 people.

"We are a regular ranking event for USA Judo," Pedro said. "We get people from all over the country competing. This year they can earn points toward the United States Olympic Team."

As an added draw, Pedro has convinced one of his sponsors, Zebra Mats, to donate over \$4,000 in total prize money to the winners of the of the men's and women's senior elite events. Competitors

in all the divisions will be eligible to win medals for first, second, and third place as well as the Pedro's Challenge Cup, which will be awarded to the team with most points.

According to Pedro, he expects at least 10 athletes from Wakefield to be competing in the United States Olympic Trials, which will be held on June 13 and 14 in Las Vegas, along with the trials for the United States Wrestling team.

Pedro said, "Three of the 2004 Olympic Team members trained here in Wakefield. With good fortune all three will compete in the 2008 Olympics (to be held in Beijing, China.)"

One of the 2004 Olympians was Pedro, who came away with his second Bronze medal. He has also competed in the 1992, 1996, where he also took the Bronze, and the 2000 Olympics.

The other two are Wakefield residents Ronda Rousey and Rick Hawn. Both are expected to appear at the Pedro's Challenge Event, although Rousey is not expected to compete as she will just be returning from a three week European Tour.

"Ronda won the silver in 2006 and she won the 2007 World Champions in Brazil," Pedro said.

He is also setting high goals for two other Wakefield residents who will be competing in the Challenge. According to Pedro, 17 year-old Kayla Harrison is now ranked number two in her class in the United States and Dan McCormack, known as "Big Dan" because of his 6 foot five inch, 370 pounds, is now a Wakefield resident, after moving here from Texas to study with Pedro.

Other people to look out for

are the National Team from Canada and two brothers Harry and Gary Leger from New York.

"They come every year and put on a great show," Pedro said.

The Pedro Challenge is the culmination of one of Pedro's life-long dreams. The same is true for his latest venture, bringing the United States Judo Association's Junior Nationals event to Boston (June 27-29 at the Hynes Convention Center Auditorium).

"I was born and raised in Massachusetts and competed in four Olympic Games," Pedro said. "I always had to travel outside of the state to qualify. I wanted to create an event where the students could compete near home."

Shortly after opening his dojo in Wakefield, Pedro found that the High School field house had adequate space to hold a USJA sanctioned event. Thus, started the challenge.

According to Pedro, a sanctioned event has to have space for five mats measuring eight meters by eight meters. Another 14 meters must be available for a safety zone around the competition area.

"The safety zone is very important," Pedro said.

The USJA sent in monitors last year to assure that all of their guidelines were adhered to. Passing with flying colors, the event has once again been given the Olympic qualifying designation of being an Official US Judo Elite Point Event.

The best part of this event, those that come to watch will get to see some top athletes and they will not have to pay an admission fee. There will be a request for donations and this money will go to the not-for-profit Pedro Judo Boosters Club. This is a group of parents with young sons and daughters studying Judo under Pedro's tutelage. The money garnered by the donations goes to offset the costs of the younger athletes who travel out of state to com-

pete in other tournaments as they advance in the rankings.

Until this year, one of these out of state events would have been the Junior Nationals. They have been held in places such as California and some southern states.

"In my 32 years of competition there has never been one single major (judo) event here in Boston," Pedro said. My desire to bring something like that to this city is what made it possible.

Judo on the east coast has always been very strong, especially here in the northeast. We have always had to travel to California for the kids to compete."

Judo to S-5



The 5th Annual Pedro's Challenge will be held at Wakefield Memorial High School's Field House on Saturday, February 23. Practitioners of Judo from all over the world are expected to stop in Wakefield as they try to qualify for a spot on the United States Olympic Judo team. The best part of this event is that those who come to watch will get to see some top athletes, without an admission fee.

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Movie Reviews *by Paul Feely*

"THE BUCKET LIST" a bittersweet comedy



MORGAN FREEMAN AND JACK NICHOLSON team up in "The Bucket List" as two moody senior citizens who spar with the Grim Reaper and also one another despite both being in deep denial about their fatal ailments.

"THE BUCKET LIST"
GRADE: **

A combo terminal male bonding buddy road movie and a touch of perhaps Two Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest, The Bucket List teams up those two old screen pros Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman for this Rob Reiner directed bittersweet comedy about quality-of-life issues while defying doctor's orders in the extreme. The Bucket List is at its best when these two moody seniors spar with the Grim Reaper and one another.

Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman are Edward Cole and Carter Chambers respectively, two jaded elderly gents with absolutely nothing in common who meet in a hospital room they share while being treated for terminal cancers. Each bears a long festering resentment that, when faced with imminent death, feels for both like they haven't managed to live life to the fullest in the interim.

Though the over-the-hill surly billionaire Edward has never lacked for material pos-

sessions and quickie romance on demand throughout his party hardy life, genuine people relationships, especially with an absentee estranged daughter, have been sorely lacking. And Carter for his part, has suffered in silence for the long haul, as a frustrated woefully underachieving black man with a brilliant mind, forced to toil as a garage mechanic instead of his dream of being a professor, in order to support his children who came early in life, and subsequently bearing repressed resentments towards his wife through the years.

At the same time, fed up with the routinely humiliating cancer treatments at the hospital that Edward also happens to own and that threaten his overblown sense of masculinity, he pesters Carter to run away with him for some globe-trotting final excellent adventures together in order to "go out with balls." That is, before they both kick the bucket referred to in the film's title, while trying their hand tackling that terminal to-do list as thoroughly as possible.

It's not 'Grumpy Old Men', as Carter gets into tour guide mode as a specialist with a vast knowledge poured into detailed trivia covering just about anything there is to know, while Edward spreads his buoyant look at life as he picks up the tab for jaunts around the world from the Pyramids to the Taj Mahal. But these two party animal elders into deep denial about their fatal ailments, are brought back down to planet earth by occasional jolts of rude reality checks connected to their bouts of bad health.

Though steeped in the collective chemistry of these two charismatic stars whose cranky characters essentially save each others' lives before the curtain comes down, the problem with The Bucket List is that their messy and complex predicaments get resolved far too simply to reflect the world the rest of us get stuck living in.

"JUNO"
GRADE: ****

'Juno' is the surprise of the year. Funny, smart, and never condescending, it tells

the unlikely story of what happens when an alarmingly precocious teen-ager gets pregnant and confronts her dilemma with uncharacteristic maturity.

The film's biggest surprise comes in the minimal approach taken by Jason Reitman. The second time director mainly lets his cast follow the script.

Reitman has also developed enough as a director so that he knows when to add some of the many minor colorful touches that add so much to his movie, such as the goofy, periodic appearances of the track team, who fleetingly and unexpectedly run by at odd times.

Ellen Page plays Juno MacGruff, the self-assured youngster who becomes pregnant when she has her first sexual experience with her best friend, the meek Paulie Bleeker (Michael Sera). She considers abortion, even to the point of calling for an appointment.

After much debating and soul-searching, all of which is hilarious and self-deprecating, Juno opts for adoption, bestowing her future ward on a wealthy but superficial young couple, played effectively by Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman.

They play Vanessa and Mark, the upwardly mobile, seemingly perfect couple Juno finds through the classifieds.

At a meeting with the couple and their lawyer, Juno asks if they can't keep the arrangement old school, like Moses in the reeds?

"That would be kicking it Old Testament," Mark chimes in.

Juno grows larger in size but also in maturity, and seemingly, in her infinite capacity for finding the dark humor in her situation. She also finds comfort through a pair of understanding parents (Allison Janney and J.K. Simmons, both perfect), who help us understand where Juno acquires her humor, good-natured disposition, and level outlook.

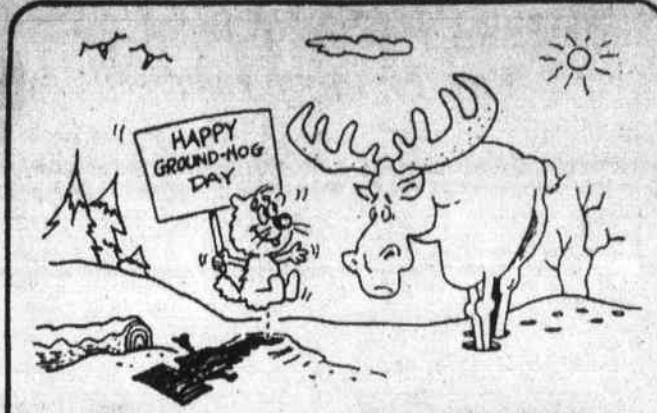
'Juno' convincingly conveys the physical discomfort and the social alienation felt by its title character. But, even in transmitting such authenticity, it remains good-hearted, optimistic, and awkwardly funny.

"CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR"
GRADE: ****

As entertaining and light-hearted as Charlie Wilson's War is (the movie is a look at how one obscure Texas congressman finagled covert funding to buy weapons for the Mujahideen in Afghanistan to fight the Soviet Union), there is an ugly gorilla in the room with you as you are laughing at the jokes.

History tells us what happened. The Afghans triumphed, driving the Red Army from their country. A few years later the Berlin Wall fell and the Soviet Union was no more.

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man Charlie Wilson.

Wilson (Tom Hanks) was aided in his endeavor by Joanne Herring (Julia Roberts), a fervent anti-Communist Texas socialite, and Gust Avrakotos (Philip Seymour Hoffman), a CIA operative.

Prodded by Herring's belief that the U.S. response to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan was feeble, Wilson reluctantly sets out to increase the CIA's budget for covert operations to the freedom fighters.

Despite his good ol' boy image, Wilson was an astute politician with a sharp mind and big heart.

His position on various

committees allowed him to collect favors, which he used to begin, with the help of Avrakotos, to get arms to the Mujahideen through third parties in order to hide U.S. involvement in the scheme.

Hanks is again perfect, under the direction of Mike Nichols. Hanks' Wilson is comical, wise, compassionate and conniving.

Roberts is brainy, beautiful and sexy as the sixth richest woman in Texas.

It is Hoffman, though, who steals the movie. His Avrakotos is a blunt-speaking operative who is like a bull in a China shop. He does not

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Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION: What is the NCAA record for fewest points in a basketball game?

Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

The Colby-Sawyer women's basketball team upset the Middlebury College Panthers. The Chargers pulled off the 61-48 upset of the Panthers. Colby-Sawyer built an early 17-2 advantage in the first half en route to a 61-48 non-conference victory.

ELLEN NAUGHTON'S (READING, MA) first half seven points sparked the Chargers' 17-2 run over the first 9:37. During that span, Colby-Sawyer held the Panthers to 0-17 shooting from the floor. Naughton, a Junior guard tied her season-high, by chipping in 12 points.

MORGAN HOSKING OF NORTH READING was a key member of the Westfield State women's volleyball team that won the Massachusetts State College Athletics Conference (MASCAC) regular season championship for the first time in 20 years.

The senior outside hitter played in 28 of 30 matches for the Owls. She ranked third in kills with 188. She also 35 service aces and 24 blocks.

The **WILMINGTON H.S. BOYS HOCKEY TEAM** won the Haverhill Holiday Tournament and **MICHAEL CABRAL** was chosen as the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

In game one vs. Danvers, Michael was the difference as he turned in an immense 34-save shutout performance as the team beat Danvers 4-0.

In the championship game vs. Milton, Michael made 19 saves in a 5-2 win.

The Wilmington High School Hockey Team are now 7-1 in the early season and

are playing their best hockey. •Need some help with this week's question? The record is held by two teams.

A trio of Bentley seniors, including defensive tackle **SCOTT MILLER (READING/READING HS)**, collected major honors recently when the Northeast-10 announced its All-Conference awards for football.

Miller received the Defensive Lineman of the Year award. Miller was an integral part of a Bentley defense that was ranked number one in the conference in several categories, including scoring defense, total defense, rushing defense, sacks and fewest first downs allowed.

The 6-1, 250-pound Miller was second in the Northeast-10 in sacks (8.5, for 49 yards) and fumbles forced (3), and third in both fumble recoveries (4) and tackles for losses (15, for 66 yards). He finished with a total of 62 tackles, third on the club, and his stats also included an interception and a blocked kick.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE SENIOR NICK FIGUEIREDO (WILMINGTON, MASS.) earned the NESCAC's top award in Men's Soccer All-Conference honors. Figueiredo was named the New England Small College Athletic Conference Player of the Year.

Figueiredo, Bowdoin's all-time leader in points (88) and goals (35) becomes the first Polar Bear to earn NESCAC Player of the Year, breaking a string of seven-straight winners from Williams. A prolific scorer, Figueiredo paced the Polar Bears in scoring for the second-straight fall, recording 10 goals and 11 assists for a career-high 31 points. He

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About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

MUCH TO CELEBRATE IN THE NEW YEAR

On the mark with AIM (Wilmington)

"Having Wilmington people behind you really makes a difference, according to Judy DiPalma, founder of the AIM group," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"Wilmington has been supporting AIM for 20 years. AIM operates as a drop-in group for handicapped people and their friends. Every Tuesday, about 60 people get together at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Wilmington. There were 75 members celebrating the 20th anniversary.

"DiPalma quoted one participant, saying, 'This is my favorite day of the week. I can hardly wait 'til next Tuesday.'

"The AIM meetings give handicapped people a chance to get out and see their friends. It also gives their

caregivers a break. For the many volunteers, AIM offers a chance to help others. Many of the volunteers come from the Wilmington Senior Center at the former Buzzell School. AIM gives them a change of pace.

"Over the years, there have been 180 to 190 people who have participated in AIM, DiPalma estimated.

"There is no set program for the AIM sessions, other than lunch. Many of the volunteers tend to gravitate to the kitchen. Others gather round a cribbage board, or set up their bingo cards. Every other week, Frank Sferazza runs a bingo game.

"Occasionally, there are speakers. That Tuesday, there were three, Rep. Jim Miceli, Sen. Bruce Tarr, and Assistant Town Manager Jeff Hull.

"Of course, there was a birthday cake. Irene Sharp Brennan brought in another beautiful cake, as she often

does...."

"A whirlwind year" (Wakefield)

"The staff at Wakefield's Lucius Beebe Memorial Library have just concluded a whirlwind year of study and training in the field of Readers' Advisory - the art and science of connecting books with readers," notes the Wakefield edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

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"However, four of these titles are available, again thanks to the LSTA RA Grant, for you to check out...."

Partners and double digits (Woburn)

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Calendar of Events

A Listing of Interesting Events and Happenings

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Research and reports published recently in the Journal of the American Medical Association and Science Direct, and by the Institute of Medicine in Washington, DC, clearly state that the health benefits of consuming farmed salmon outweigh the risks.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Pyramid recommends selecting fish rich in omega-3 fatty acids, such as salmon, more often. A source of lean protein that is naturally low in saturated fat, farm-raised Atlantic salmon's beneficial omega-3 DHA fatty acids help lower bad (LDL) cholesterol levels.

TAOIST HEALTH PRACTICES with KWAN SAI-HUNG



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Diagnosed with Psoriasis?

The National Institutes of Health estimate that 7.5 million Americans are affected by psoriasis. Psoriasis is a non-contagious lifelong skin disease, characterized mostly by red patches or lesions on the skin (plaque) covered with a silvery white buildup of dead skin cells (scale).

WHAT CAUSES PSORIASIS?

The severity and type of psoriasis varies from person to person. While it is not contagious, doctors do believe it has a genetic component, meaning it can run in families. Psoriasis is much more than just a skin ailment; it is actually an autoimmune disorder.

There is no single known cause for psoriasis. Most researchers agree that the immune system is somehow mistakenly triggered, which speeds up the growth cycle of skin cells. A normal skin cell matures and falls off the body's surface in 28 to 30 days. But a psoriatic skin cell takes

only three to four days to mature and move to the surface. Instead of falling off (shedding), the cells pile up and form the lesions.

TYPES OF PSORIASIS

Psoriasis can occur just about anywhere on the body, although nearly 50 percent of those affected have it on their scalp. Here are the most common forms of psoriasis.

Plaque psoriasis: This is the most prevalent form of the disease. About 80 percent of all those who have psoriasis have this form, according to the National Psoriasis Foundation. Its scientific name is psoriasis vulgaris (vulgaris means common). It is typically found on the elbows, knees, scalp, and lower back.

Scalp psoriasis: This form of psoriasis can be very mild with slight scaling or severe - thickly encrusted with plaques. The more plaques on the scalp the higher the risk for hair loss. Scalp psoriasis can also

spread, with plaque showing up on other areas of the body, including around the ears and on the back of the neck.

Inverse: Inverse psoriasis is found in the skin folds of the body, and also on the groin, under the armpits and on the genitals. It first appears as lesions that are very red, smooth and shiny. It usually lacks the scale associated with plaque psoriasis.

Erythrodermic: This form of psoriasis is very inflammatory and can cover large areas of the body. It is characterized by periodic, widespread, fiery redness of the skin. The erythema (reddening) and exfoliation (shedding) of the skin are often accompanied by severe itching and pain.

Pustular: Pustular psoriasis is characterized by white pus-filled blisters on the body. The blisters are non-contagious and actually contain an overabundance of white blood cells, not an infection.

Understanding heart failure

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), nearly five million Americans are living with heart failure, and more than half a million new cases are reported each year.

While that's certainly a large number, it may also be comforting to people with a family history of heart disease or those recently diagnosed with heart failure to know that they're not alone and that there's no reason they cannot enjoy a full life. Of course, knowing about heart failure and its symptoms and risk factors can only help make the battle that much easier.

What Is Heart Failure?

Contrary to what its name might imply, heart failure does not mean the heart has stopped working. Instead, heart failure occurs when the heart stops pumping the amount of blood necessary for the body to function properly. As this happens, the body then tries to make up for it in a handful of ways, such as the heart beginning to beat faster and the heart actually expanding. As the heart chamber expands, it stretches more and contracts more strongly, enabling it to pump more blood.

Another thing the body does is hold onto salt and water, which increases the amount of blood in your bloodstream. This leads to congestion, hence the moniker "congestive heart failure" used by some in the medical profession.

How Does Heart Failure Manifest Itself?

Because the body does things to make up for the heart not pumping blood as well as it should, heart failure is often difficult to recognize. Oftentimes, the aforementioned steps the body takes are so effective that it's common to not even know the heart is suffering from a disease.

However, as the AHA notes, heart failure is typically a chronic disease, meaning it's a long-term condition that will continue to get worse. As hard as the body works to make up for the heart not pumping blood at full capacity, eventually the body will begin to lose ground and certain symptoms will arise. Some of the early symptoms include feeling tired easily, being short of breath upon physical exertion, feelings of weakness and dizziness, and heart palpitations, where the heart feels as if it's racing or pounding.

Eventually, the fluid buildup that occurs becomes too much for the body as well, and several symptoms can manifest themselves as a result.

- Swelling in the lower half of the body, such as the legs, ankles or feet
- Coughing or wheezing, particularly when lying down
- Increased need to urinate at night
- Shortness of breath, even when resting

What Causes Heart Failure?

Many health conditions arise as a result of lifestyle choices such as poor diet or negative behaviors such as smoking or excessive drinking. Others are the result of genetics, such as being born with a defect. Heart failure can result from both personal behaviors and genetics.

Controllable factors that are associated with heart failure include smoking, poor diet (particularly eating foods that are high in cholesterol), lack of exercise, and being overweight. In other words, any of those conditions only increase a person's risk of heart failure. They can also manifest themselves in several different ways.

• **Coronary Artery Disease:** This happens when cholesterol and fatty deposits build up in the heart's arteries, lessening the amount of blood that reaches the heart, forcing the heart to work harder as a result. A high-cholesterol diet is a big risk factor for coronary artery disease.

• **Hypertension:** also known as high blood pressure, hypertension increases a person's risk of developing heart failure by two to three times according to the AHA. Hypertension can occur from too much

stress, be it work- or family-related. A great way to relieve stress is through regular physical exercise. People who do not exercise regularly increase their risk of hypertension, and in doing so, their risk of heart failure as well.

• **Lung disease:** when the lungs are not functioning properly, it causes the heart to work that much more to get oxygen to the rest of the body. Smoking increases the risk of lung disease, which then increases the risk of heart failure.

To learn more about heart failure, visit the American Heart Association Web site at www.heart.org.



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Taoist Health Practices with Kwan Sai-Hung is a workshop series beginning in February 2008, to be held at Yoga East Studio & Eastern Art Gallery in Reading.

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Born into a prominent martial arts family, Kwan Sai-Hung began his formal Taoist training at age eleven. Teacher Kwan's goal is to present these classic styles of Qigong and Taiji that he learned from the old masters, some of which are techniques rarely taught today, even in China.

A fictionalized account of Mr. Kwan's life appears in Deng Ming-Dao's popular books *The Wandering Taoist* and *Chronicles of Tao, The Secret Life of a Taoist Master*.

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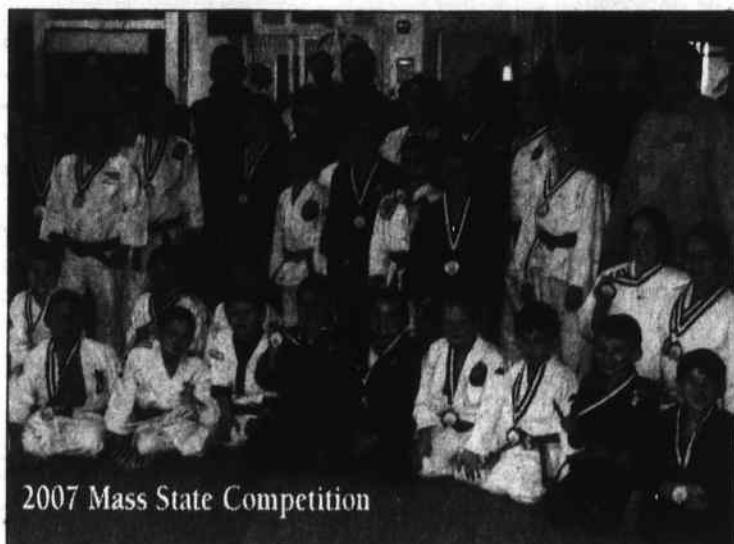
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2007 Mass State Competition

Judo

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Although it is a lot of hard work to put on events such as the Challenge and the Junior Nationals, Pedro claims his "passion" for the sport allows him to be up for the challenge. He also noted that he gets a huge amount of help from the parents of his students, who volunteer their time and energy to put on these events.

Because of the costs involved in renting a space such as the Hynes Auditorium and providing Hospitality Suites and transportation for the star athletes and the officials that will attend, there is an admission fee for the Junior Nationals. For more information, go to www.pedrosmartialarts.com.

Judo is a grappling martial art similar to jiu-jitsu, but does not involve punching or kicking. Judo places emphasis on throws, pins, and submission holds such as strangles (+13

yrs. only) and arm locks (+17 years only).

According to many experts, Judo is a very good activity for young people. It is said to provide them with both focus and discipline that can be brought forward into other parts of their lives, such as school work.

According to Pedro, "The mission of Pedro's Judo Center is to produce leaders and champions on and off the mat while providing the highest quality physical and mental martial arts training to every man, woman, and child who has the desire to improve themselves. In its tenth year of operation, Pedro's Judo Center has already become one of the most successful judo centers in the nation by producing many national and international champions."

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Coaching and collaboration in Burlington By PHYLLIS NISSEN

"Teachers Carrie Wyman and Memorial Schools, Fortunato and Brian Cox while Brian coaches at Pine Glen and Fox Hill Schools. have left their classrooms to become coaches," notes the Burlington edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"They are not coaching sports. They are coaching math."

"Carrie coaches at Francis

Wyman and Memorial Schools, while Brian coaches at Pine Glen and Fox Hill Schools. "And what exactly does a math coach do? A math coach supports teachers' efforts to seek out, understand, and work with students' ideas."

"This is an opportunity for the teacher and coach to collaborate on how students are engaging in mathematical ideas, and to think together about upcoming lessons to address the needs of all students."

"Cox explained, 'Coaching can create more support for teachers to increase their mathematical knowledge. "This is ongoing professional development for teachers on a continuing basis. The teacher chooses the area of mathematics, based on the needs of the students,' Fortunato added. "While the coaches do work with all grade levels, K-5, two grades have been chosen on which to focus."There are 92 elementary classrooms, which is too large for the first year of coaching implementation. Therefore, first and third grades have been targeted for this. Including the focus on new teachers (at other grade levels), this is approximately 40 classrooms....



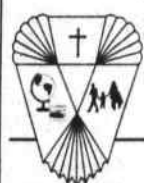
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Athletes

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the conference in points and was second in goals scored, he was able to break the program's 35-year old goal-scoring record and earn his

third-straight First-Team All-NESCAC selection.

•FORMER READING MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES HEATHER BROOKS (2004) AND BETH HALEY (2005) have completed a successful Rugby season at Boston University this fall.

Boston University Women's Rugby Team finished in third place this season with a 4 win, 3 loss and 1 tie record. The BU Rugby team had impressive wins in the playoffs against Amherst College and Wellesley College. The BU Women's Rugby Club is a competitive club team with a roster of 54 players and competes in the Division II New England Rugby Football League.

Heather is a senior at Boston University, who majors in Speech Language and Hearing Sciences/ Linguistics. Heather has played rugby for four years and is the forwards captain and scrum-half. Beth is a junior and is pursuing a major in Ecology / Zoology at Boston University. Beth has played rugby for three years and is a fullback and field goal

kicker.

Despite their intensive rugby schedule the girls are able to maintain their academic achievements.

•BENTLEY JUNIOR CAROLINE SHEEDY (READING/READING HS) ran well at the Harvard Open women's indoor track meet at the Gordon Track.. Sheedy was 13th of 45 in the 800 (2:27.48).

Bentley will not compete again until the Greater Boston Track Club Invitational on Jan. 20.

•ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION: The record is six, set by Arkansas State in a 75-6 loss to Kentucky in 1945, then tied by Temple in an 11-6 loss to Tennessee in 1973.

•DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T? If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200.

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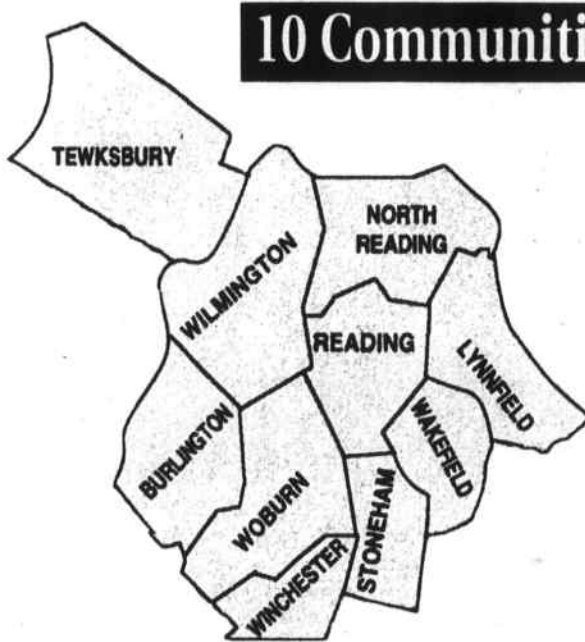
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RENTALS TO S-7

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CALENDAR

From S-3

Lynnfield Senior Center, 525 Salem Street, Lynnfield.
Members are invited to bring along paintings in any medium that they would like critiqued. Those present will have the opportunity to lend a fresh eye to the shared pieces and all present will be able to

discuss common painting problems and solutions.
The tone of the evening is casual, social and encouraging and it is a great opportunity to mingle with other area artists. Refreshments will be served and the meeting is open to the public and handicapped accessible.
New members are always welcome at the annual rate.

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Once a month Middlesex East will publish a profile of a child that is looking for a home.
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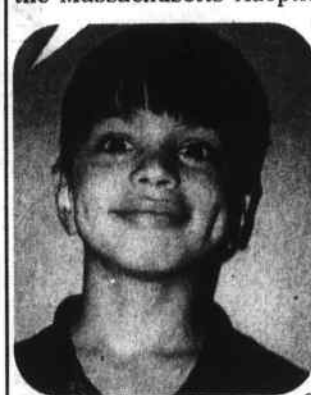
Meet Rafael

Rafael is a bright, energetic, and fun-loving 9-year-old Latino boy who shows great concern for others. Rafael, who likes to be called Raffi, is excited to try new adventures. He enjoys playing basketball, riding his bike, playing with other children, and any other activity that involves the outdoors. Raffi has a great sense of humor, and people often attach to him quickly due to his engaging manner.

In addition to having fun outdoors, Raffi enjoys doing puzzles, playing video games, listening to music and playing board games. An animal lover, he especially likes dogs. Raffi is doing well in his current foster home where he has a healthy attachment to his caregivers and looks up to his older foster brother. Raffi is an engaging child who benefits from one-on-one attention and encouragement from adults. He is a well-spoken third grader who is eager to learn and is benefiting from his individualized education plan. Raffi is currently in therapy to help him understand the losses from his past.

Raffi hopes he can find a permanent home where he will no longer have to worry about who he can depend on and being accepted. He would benefit most from a dedicated and patient two-parent family or a single dad with no younger children.

To learn more about Rafael, or about adoption in general, call the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at



617-54-ADOPT (617-542-3678) or 1-800-882-1176. Read more about other waiting children in the MARE Photolisting located at many public libraries in the state, or visit the MARE website at www.mareinc.org. Join MARE for the Multicultural Adoption Party on Sunday, February 10th, from 3 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Boys and Girls Club in Dorchester. Prospective adoptive parents can meet waiting children and their social workers and receive general information about adopting from foster care. Refreshments, family entertainment and activities are provided. Visit www.mareinc.org for more information or to register.

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The Linden Tree presents "A Touch of Ireland" featuring celtic cousins Robbie O'Connell and Aoife Clancy on Saturday, February 9 at 8 p.m.

The Linden Tree Coffeehouse is located in the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 326 Main Street, Wakefield.

Admission to the event is \$18 paid reservation by Feb. 7 or \$20 at the door. For information call 781-246-2836 or visit www.LindenTreeCoffeehouse.org.

TOWNS FROM S-3

opened its doors in January, 1997.

"Since that time, the center has served more than 75,000 individuals by providing a broad range of career development services, including skills assessment, education and training, resume writing, job-search techniques, and assistance with finding a job.

"The center also works with local employers, delivering an array of workforce development services such as matching skilled workers with jobs, upgrading the skills of existing workers, and training staff on new technologies.

"More than 9,000 local employers have hired TCP customers since its opening...

"Woburn Memorial High School received a Partner Award for the school's support and commitment to The Career Place Connecting Activities program, which delivers individual and classroom-based activities to build job-readiness skills for their students.

"To learn more about The Career Place, visit www.careerplacejobs.com."

Movies

from S-2

A witty script by Aaron Sorkin keeps Charlie Wilson's War moving at a rapid clip.

Back to that gorilla in the room with you. The weight of current events in Iraq and Afghanistan push at the back of your mind as you watch

the film.

The weapons that the U.S. supplied the freedom fighters are being used by those same men, now calling themselves the Taliban, to fight those who helped secure their freedom in the first place.

The movie offers a clear lesson. At the end, Wilson urges his fellow congressmen to continue funding for Afghanistan so the nation

could rebuild its schools and infrastructure, but with the fighting over, the request was ignored.

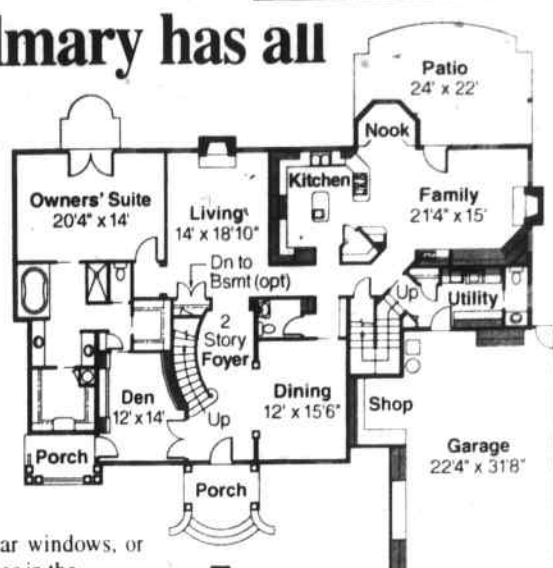
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Inside, the layout is a

comfortable blend of classic styling and contemporary amenities, starting with the elegant curved staircase that sweeps up the left side of the lofty two-story foyer. Move past it to step through an arch into a bright living room with a masonry hearth.

Columns flank another arched opening that leads to an elegant dining room with a stepped ceiling and applied molding detailing. Double doors on the foyer's opposite side open into a den which connects to the owners' suite. This room could serve as a home office, study or computer room.

Family room, kitchen and nook flow together in a bright and spacious informal living space. The kitchen offers a wealth of storage and work areas, including a central work island with veggie sink, and a walk-in pantry. Standing at the range, you can talk with people in the family room, gaze outside

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A powder room nestles in the passageway to the dining room. Another is at the far end of a utility room that connects with the side-entry three-car garage. A second stairway provides alternate access to the four bedrooms, three bathrooms, recreation and storage rooms upstairs.

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Transfers from S-10

29 TOWER HILL was sold to Mary Carlson Mangano and Stephen Mangano by Todd and Mary Deppe for \$562,000.
11 WRIGHT STREET was sold to Christopher Espinola by Mary Murphy for \$262,500.

-READING-

25 BANCROFT AVENUE was sold to Tracy Harding by Maryester and Frederick Shea for \$339,500.
1 JACOB WAY was sold to Jacob Way LLC by Addison Wesley Longma for \$18,900,000.
80 MAIN STREET was sold to Jacob Way LLC by Addison Wesley Longma for \$18,900,000.

-STONEHAM-

23 CEDAR AVENUE was sold to Peter and Amy Boris by Suzanne and Steven Dipalma for \$339,000.
8 COMMON STREET #1 was sold to Giovanni and Gilda Albanese by 8 Common Realty LLC for \$220,000.
8 COMMON STREET #3 was sold to Giovanni and Gilda Albanese by 8 Common Realty LLC for \$220,000.
8 COMMON STREET #5 was sold to Marisa and Andrea Ciano by 8 Common Realty LLC for \$270,000.
2 MAGNOLIA TERRACE was sold to Carmella Lynch and Scott Cali by Anthony Pappalardo and Carmella Lynch for \$362,500.
98 MAIN STREET #1 was sold to Tiffany Barrett by David Morton and Tiffany Barrett for \$190,000.
224 PARK STREET #C14 was sold to Timothy Hart by Jacqueline Hart and Killie Bernard for \$310,000.
300 PARK TERRACE DRIVE #336 was sold to Diane Zullo by Charles Puzanghera for \$144,500.
PEBBLE PLACE #57 was sold to Arthur and Amy Kanavos by Stoneham Town Of for \$6,310.

-TEWKSBURY-

16 CHARME ROAD was sold to Mark Chabak by Paul and Michelle Hellquist for \$300,000.
18 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE was sold to Kevin Gillespie by Kenneth McDougal for \$277,900.
45 JILLS WAY was sold to Rita and Ernst Faingersh by A&M Land Corp for \$429,900.
97 MERRIMACK MEADOWS LANE #97 was sold to Felix Adorno by Migdalia and Felix Adorno for \$43,000.
11 PRESERVATION LANE #11 was sold to Susan Ellis by 1st Picardi RT and Carmine Sarno for \$375,000.
81 SAWYERS LANE was sold to Caroline and Bryan Bateson by Patricia and Brett Brown for \$615,100.
9 SHARON STREET was sold to James Pondelli by John and Doreen Cruseaden for \$352,000.
5 TRULL ROAD was sold to Blake and Ellen Genetti by Carol Szetela for \$284,000.
1001 WHIPPLE ROAD was sold to Darren Brenner by Nicolas Tedeschi and James Andella for \$267,000.

-WAKEFIELD-

11 MIDDLESEX STREET #2 was sold to Paul and Carmen Botta by 1 Middlesex Court LLC for \$319,900.
8 PARK STREET was sold to Dorothy Beau Morley by Michael Morley for \$300,000.
39 RICHARDSON AVENUE was sold to Richardson LLC and Linda Hutchinson by H A Willey RT and Andrea Willey for \$2,225,000.
303 SALEM STREET was sold to Julie Ann and John Whitson by Susan and Robert Neeb for \$360,000.
416 SALEM STREET was sold to Anwar Nazir by Chester Czarniawski for \$230,000.
314 WATER STREET #5 was sold to Richard Marotta by 314 Water Street RT and David Rugato for \$172,500.

-WILMINGTON-

179 BURLINGTON AVENUE #1 was sold to Julie Newhouse by Ralph Newhouse for \$252,500.
53 CHURCH STREET was sold to Michael Quible by Lucci RT and John Lucci for \$358,000.
193 FEDERAL STREET was sold to Churk Leung by Kenneth and Deborah Elliott for \$415,000.
10 GORHAM STREET was sold to Paul Conlin by William Taylor for \$515,000.
3 JONES AVENUE was sold to Shirleyann and Christopher Delucia by Kaszynski Frank J Est and Robert Kaszynski for \$310,000.
8 MARCH ROAD was sold to Francine and Dion Dinatale by Theresa Ferguson for \$300,000.
588 WOBURN STREET was sold to Elizabeth and Carlos Pimental by Raymond and Diane Lepore for \$655,000.

-WINCHESTER-

297 CROSS STREET #297 was sold to Anastasios Miliotis by Criterion Winchester LLC for \$259,000.
955 MAIN STREET #G3 was sold to Sampath Krishna by Tobiason Mass RT and Lawrence Tobiason for \$189,000.
33 SPRUCE STREET #33 was sold to Dennis France by Kimberley Covino and Susan Downes for \$600,000.

-WOBURN-

201 BEDFORD ROAD #34 was sold to Sooyun Chung and Jeffrey Field for \$300,000.
304 CAMBRIDGE ROAD was sold to SAA Group LLC by Country Club Prof Bldg T and Louis Falcone for \$5,000,000.
10 DRAPER STREET #6 was sold to Churchill RT LLC by Lily Draper Street LLC for \$270,000.
3 HARVARD STREET EXTENSION was sold to Shannon and Mark Cain by Brenda Cox and Mark Cain for \$28,000.
14 HILL STREET was sold to Mahavir Holdings LLC by Mahavir Hospitality LLC for \$1,239,000.

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Consider property taxes when buying a home

Looking to buy a home, be it as a place to start a family or merely as an investment property? One thing to consider before house hunting is the property tax you'll have to pay once you sign on the dotted line.

According to data compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau in 2005, residents in New York's Westchester County pay the highest property taxes in the country. These homeowners paid an average of \$7,337 in 2005. In fact, New York and its neighbor, New Jersey, boasted the five highest counties in the country with respect to dollars paid in property tax.

The Empire State's Nassau County was owner of the nation's second-highest property tax, with homeowners paying an average of just over \$7,000. Rounding out the top five were New Jersey's Hunterdon, Bergen and Essex counties, each of



THE EASTERN MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® (EMAR) recently collected toys for the Department of Social Services' Kids Fund at its annual meeting and installation of Officers. Taking part in the collection were EMAR members (from left to right) Jim Wright, RJ Inspections, Methuen; Jack Santini, RE/MAX Encore, Wilmington; Charlotte Scuderi, ERA Andrew, Medford; Mike Rice, VIP Mortgage, Danvers; Dottie Vaccaro, RE/MAX Top Achievers, Reading; Bob Rocklien, Family Trust Mortgage, Burlington; Louise Bartolo, ERA Andrew, Medford; Mark Cranfill, Christopher J. Barrett Realtors, Wakefield; and Jonathan Parker, RE/MAX Encore, Wilmington. The DSS Kids Fund is one of the many charities supported by EMAR and its members.

which boasted property tax figures between \$6,600 and \$7,000. The most affordable county in the country? That title belongs to Arizona's Apache County, where the average property tax in 2005 was just \$126, slightly edging Louisiana's St. Landry's Parish, whose residents paid an average of \$127 in property tax in 2005.



Your home from S-10

Begin where you rarely go. Lots of homeowners have rooms in their home where they don't spend a significant amount of time. Living rooms that are more for show than leisure, for instance, can be a good place to start downsizing. Consider parting ways with furniture that's not regularly utilized but intended more for show. Ridding yourself of excess furniture will do a great deal in lessening your moving load.

Another area to consider is the basement. Oftentimes, basements have items such as pool tables, ping pong tables, etc., that were purchased to entertain the kids. These items won't be necessary at the new home, and chances are they won't fit anyway.

Make the kids a part of the process. Kids often cherish things from their youth that parents might not know about. To avoid leaving something behind that your kids might cherish, involve them in the process of downsizing. If they truly value something you've decided to get rid of, give it to them rather than simply selling or donating it. Depending on how many kids you have, it might be hard to determine who gets what. Create a system before you begin downsizing and involve the kids in the creation of that system.

Get a decent head start. Start downsizing enough in advance to enjoy the process. If you save everything until the last minute, you won't get to enjoy reflecting on the many memories you've made in your current home. A head start will also afford you the time to better determine what possessions you value, and which ones you're not really attached to.

Decide what to do with

the excess. Your kids won't cherish all of your possessions and neither will you, so this will leave you with lots of stuff to get rid of before moving into your smaller home. There are many ways to rid yourself of items you won't be taking along. Donations are almost always accepted by thrift stores, and depending on the time of year you move, a garage sale might be a viable option as well.

Remember to make room for especially treasured items. If there are items that you genuinely cherish but you think might make for a tight fit at your new home, do your best to make room for these items anyway. If need be, go back over what you've decided to take and re-examine if it's worth more to you than other items you've determined are must-haves.

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Great buy in a great location

Desirable Eisenhaure Farms sub-division is considered to be a great place to live within the town of North Reading.

This six street sub-division was established in the early 1980's and has been growing ever since. Located just north of historical North Reading's Old Center and with easy access to major highways, convenience is considered to be one of the major draws to this neighborhood.

Recent sales show that homes are selling between \$400,000 - \$950,000. With this being said, this ten (10) room, 2+ bath, center entrance colonial situated in the heart of Eisenhaure Farms is very fairly priced at \$569,900.

This home is situated on a 40,000+ square foot lot nestled amongst mature trees



and plantings. It features a new roof, updated heating and electrical systems, newer interior paint, newly refinished hardwood flooring and a two car garage.

The first floor has a great flow for entertaining including a formal dining room and oversized living room. The eat-in kitchen opens into a

23x16 family room with beamed cathedral ceiling, fireplace, wood floors and pocket doors. A bright Solarium overlooks a large, private lot. All four bedrooms are located on the second floor. The master bedroom has its own full bath and walk-in closet. This home offers great amenities and lo-



cation!

North Reading is a small picturesque outlying suburb north of Boston. It has a population of less than 14,000, occupying 13.51 square miles. It offers a small town feeling, yet is extremely accessible to metro Boston, shops, restaurants and cultural events. The town offers great recreational activities. Concerts, sporting events and fishing in the Ipswich River are just a few of the ways you could enjoy yourself in North Reading. It also offers two golf courses, walking trails and parks.

For more information on this property or to arrange for a private viewing, please contact Pat DeWolfe at Carlson GMAC Home Services at 55 Haven Street in Reading, or by calling 781-258-0115 or 781-942-1500.

40,000 SQUARE FOOT LOT AND FOUR BEDROOMS offers plenty of room for all ages in this North Reading six street subdivision. The master bedroom boasts a private bath as well as a walk in closet.

~ Real Estate Transfers

-BURLINGTON-

4 ARNOLD TERRACE was sold to David Stack by Michael and Donna Joyce for \$408,000.

378 CAMBRIDGE STREET was sold to Bejajian RT and Jack Bejajian by Celata Dental Lab Inc for \$225,000.

1 JEFFERSON AVENUE was sold to Wells Fargo Bk by Cristiano Alves and Wells Fargo Bk for \$265,000.

11 S BEDFORD STREET was sold to Donnamarie and Diana Tortorici by Barbara Fradsham and Patricia Govostes for \$375,000.

2 WINN STREET was sold to 2 Winn Street LLC by Frank Andrew Lasley for \$540,000.

-LYNNFIELD-

607 CHESTNUT STREET was sold to Cheryl and Gary Marino by Maria and Christopher Young for \$812,000.

30 FERNWAY was sold to Keith and Elizabeth Mcconaghy by Noelle and John Spinosa for \$505,000.

8 LAUREL ROAD was sold to Richard Testa by Joseph Edna M Est and Linda Hedetniemi for \$300,000.

-NORTH READING-

7 ABBOTT ROAD was sold to Denise Nitzsche by Steven and Diane Lavelly for \$255,000.

75 BURROUGHS ROAD was sold to Jian Qiao Long and Jin Tao Ma by Kristin and Edward Borsini for \$390,000.

88 HAVERHILL STREET was sold to Karianne Bekier and Karianne Cuddihee by Mary Carlson-Mangano for \$375,000.

361 PARK STREET was sold to Gary Grodecki by Joseph Salvaggio for \$395,000.

8 PILGRIM ROAD was sold to Mary and Anthony Pappalardo by PRL Edgewater Place LLC for \$399,900.

2 PURITAN ROAD was sold to Kimberly and Andrew Fabrizio by Maria Alexandrou and Maria Sfikas for \$555,000.

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BOSTON - SOUTH END \$265,000 - Great location, ideal for the professional in the heart of the South End! Newer kitchen and bath with updated appliances. Sunny studio with high ceilings and open space.

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READING - \$289,000 - 10 year young Townhouse/Half-Duplex with 3 bdrms, 2.5 baths & garage. No condo fees = more buying power! Conveniently located close to train station and shopping. Features a Master Bath, 1st flr laundry, gas heat, eat-in kitchen, bay windowed liv rm, new ceramic tile flr in kitchen & baths. Exterior features include a small side yard w/storage shed and an outdoor patio. Make an offer!

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READING - \$439,900 - West Side location - Custom built "one-owner" Gambrel w/nice detail & features. Charming flrd liv rm w/beamed ceiling & custom mantel, formal din rm w/built-in china cabinet, 1st flr bdrm & updated ceramic tile bath. 2nd flr features 2 ample bdrms & half bath. Lots of storage. Attached gar is separated from home by enclosed breezeway - also great for those summer nights! Subject to acceptance into senior housing.

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Downsizing your home

Oftentimes, senior citizens or even younger empty nesters find their homes have gotten too big for them. Once the kids move out, a bigger home can not only seem really empty, it can be a genuine chore to take care of. As a result, many seniors and empty nesters decide to downsize their homes, moving into smaller homes that are more accommodating to their new lifestyles.

While this is an obvious decision for many, it isn't always an easy one. In addition to growing attached to a home, especially one in which their children grew up, homeowners are suddenly faced with the difficult decision of what will make the trip to their new home and what won't. When deciding to downsize their home, homeowners might want to consider the following approach with their sudden abundance of excess possessions.

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